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**March 19, 1992**

# Search Begins For New Principal At Junior High

# Public Input Given On Hunt For New Supt.

**SEE SUPERINTENDENT - Page 2...**



## At 102, Oldest Resident Remaining Active At Heritage Hall

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**SUPERINTENDENT - from Page 1...**

"Educationally, I believe we need a person who believes that every child can learn; someone who is willing to make a long-term commitment to lead the educational system in the community; and one who understands that human resources are the most valuable (asset)."

Mrs. Dion said Agawam's next superintendent should have "the necessary skills to maximize potential and an understanding of the most updated management techniques."

She suggested in the search process it was important to look beyond paper qualifications by measuring a candidate on his/her personal initiative and completed projects.

"There are resources available to you through which you can receive direct feedback from the community. You have an informal network through PTOs, teacher organizations, and various business organizations (to assist in the search)," concluded Mrs. Dion.

**Business Interaction**

Resident Jill Simpson, who is also studying to become a teacher, said, "I think there's a lot of new things in education that are being tried. We need to break away from some of the old things. There's so much out there that can be used, especially interaction with the business community. We need somebody who is not afraid to get in there and fight for what's good for our kids to get us through this educational crisis."

AHS Guidance Department Chairman Paul Cavallo, another town resident, also stressed communication with the business community and cautioned that "change should be gradual to get a feel for the school system and the people of the community."

"Otherwise," Cavallo warned, "there would be some alienating of some very important people in the whole educational framework."

Presently, Cavallo said he has seen the "middle student and the high student being short-changed over the last few years in the School Budget."

In closing, Cavallo said he did not see a need for the superintendent to possess a doctorate. Johnson responded that the committee had already concluded that the criteria would advertise for a master's degree and a Ph.D. preferred.

Town Council President Jessie D. Fuller, a former School Committee chairwoman, told School Committee members, "One of the attributes of our school system is the pioneer spirit. We pioneered Project S.E.E. (for gifted and talented students), the collaborative program, and the bridging program. All of these were unique to the Agawam School System and were successful."

**Urges Local People To Apply**

Mrs. Fuller added, "I would like local people to apply because most of them are going to stay in Agawam. It's not a stepping stone for them. They are people that have been born in Agawam and brought up in the system. They have worked hard and the incentive of the superintendency is the final score for them. I don't think they should be neglected and I hope they apply."

Mrs. Fuller concluded by saying that it was important for the superintendent be both parent and teacher oriented.

Early Childhood educator Teresa Urbinati asked the School Committee to consider the experience and knowledge in "the early childhood era so that Agawam could continue to expand our program and benefit our community."

Judy Gonyea, an Agawam parent and an educator, said she hopes the new superintendent be "well versed in developmentally appropriate curriculum and the development of such curriculum. This person should be able to capitalize on the strengths we have in Agawam."

Hilary Weisgerber, an Agawam parent, says the superintendent should be "progressive regarding technology education as well as academic. The person should be very well versed in the areas of financial and curriculum development."

Another Agawam parent, Joanne Wisniewski, who also identified herself as a businesswoman, said she was looking for someone who is "going to keep our students, our parents, and our teachers excited about education."

"So often education gets to be a lot of tedium to the students as well as to the teachers. I think teacher empowerment is something we haven't heard anyone speak about tonight. Sometimes the elementary level teachers are treated by administration as bigger students. They aren't given credit for the experience and the educational background they have," Mrs. Wisniewski said.

**Want A Solid Person**

She added, "We must be careful not to hire someone who is escaping from a difficult situation as an administrator because Massachusetts has many of those in this situation. We don't want someone who is desperate. We need someone with a vision of education that shows that every child is important."

A questionnaire compiled by the Mass. Association of School Committees listed 27 expectations for the new Agawam superintendent of schools and allowed all present at the public hearing to give a "priority rating" to these during the meeting.

The results will be compiled and considered by the School Committee for creating criteria at its March 24th meeting.

**JR. HIGH PRINCIPAL - from Page 1...**

He added, "There are at least five outstanding candidates in-house, but I'm not sure any of them will apply. The feeling is they don't stand a chance."

When member Robert Doering asked how many applications had been received to date, Bruno answered that posting the job had been delayed until after he received input from the School Committee.

Member Susan Pettazzoni questioned whether there was a process (for posting jobs) "or is it up to the present school system." Bruno admitted the policy was dependent on the superintendent's actions (directed by the School Committee) for each job.

"Perhaps we should have a policy to establish a set procedure each time," said Mrs. Pettazzoni. She said it seemed unfair to expect the superintendent to respond to the whims of each new School Committee whenever a new position was open.

She suggested that posting jobs be placed "in-house first for 'x' number of days and then list the position in the area newspaper." Member Louis David added, "Let's give our people incentive. If we don't get any candidates (from posting in-house first), we can go outside."

The Policy Subcommittee was then directed to set up a procedure for the posting of all administrative positions. Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, chairman, noted, "We should do this so we are an equal opportunity employer."

**Agawam Republicans Elect Candidates**

"Super Tuesday" has come and gone. In addition to nominating George Bush, all members seeking to serve on the Agawam Republican Town Committee were voted into office.

A slate of six candidates for Republican State Committee men and women was also on the ballot:

William Barbeau and Sue Gauthier of West Springfield; Bess Conway and Anthony Bonavita of Agawam; and Gilbert Holland and Virginia Giammalvo of Longmeadow.

Mr. Holland, with less than 50% of the vote, was returned for his fifth four-year term. A call to the state election division office in Boston could not, at this time, confirm the reelection of Ms. Giammalvo.



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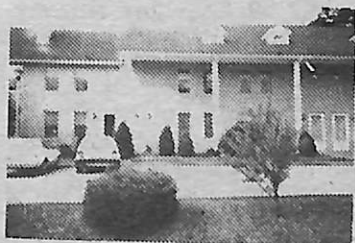
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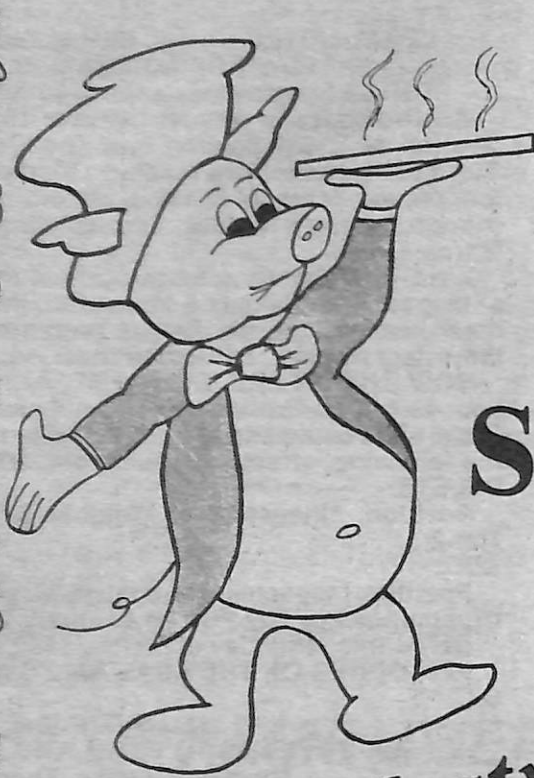
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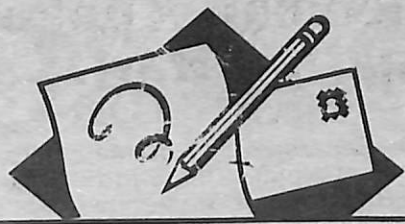
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## Letters To The Editor

### Families Sought For 1 Week To Host French Students

#### To The Editor:

"Settled in the 1600's, Agawam has developed from a primarily farming community. In the town itself are several historical homes.

"Located within a 10-mile radius are several museums depicting the impact of the development of the area—from the earliest settlements of the local Indian tribes, to the development of the industrial communities.

"There are many cultural activities, a large amusement park, ski resorts, and a wide variety of sporting features in the immediate vicinity.

"Agawam is located along several major highway systems, making New England accessible and travel very convenient. The community boasts a large amusement park, roller skating rink, bowling alley, convenient location to skiing, several museums, within 10 minutes of the Basketball Hall of Fame, and within 20 minutes of the Volleyball Hall of Fame (both sports were founded in this area).

"The Connecticut and Westfield Rivers meander through the town, allowing for several forms of recreational activities. Agawam Junior High School opens its very large swimming pool to the public year-round.

"During the spring and summer months, there are several large craft fairs. There are several colleges in the area, many with international ties."

This was the description of Agawam, in part, that was sent to International Education Forum, the parent company of Intercultural Friendships. As a direct result, the group of exchange students from France that is coming to Agawam has been increased by 50%.

Personally, I am delighted that there are others as impressed with Agawam as I am. Now there is an urgent need for 12 more host families for the week of April 6th through 13th.

There are many activities planned for the students during the week, so they will not be in the homes alone during the day.

If you are willing to share your family for a week and become a part of the bridge to international harmony and understanding, please contact me at 786-1345.

Colleen Dupee  
Agawam

### Agawam Schools Thanked By Open Pantry

#### To The Editor:

In the name of the West Springfield Open Pantry and all who will benefit from the food collection held last week, we would like to thank Mr. Donald Charest for allowing us to conduct the drive; to Granger, Phelps, and Robinson Park elementary schools and the Middle School; and to all the teachers who encouraged the students.

And last, but not least, thank you, parents and

students, for making this such a grand success. It has been overwhelming. We thank you one and all.

Sincerely,  
Phil and Theresa Barlow  
Feeding Hills

### "Good Ole Days" Sought By Upset Agawam Resident

#### To The Editor:

What happened to the "Good Ole Days" when you took your child(ren) to the library on Saturday to spend some time picking out books to take home?

Last Saturday I was appalled at what I saw at the Agawam Public Library. I stopped in to return a book and pick up another. This was supposed to be a quick stop, which shouldn't have taken more than 15 minutes, at most.

Firstly, trying to get down the aisles to choose a book was a challenge, as at the end of almost every aisle stands a rack of audio and/or video cassettes blocking the way.

Secondly, I stood in line (there were three) for over 10 minutes to check out my single book, as everyone (excluding a select few) were busy checking out their videos, audio cassettes, etc.

I may be wrong, but I thought the primary reason for libraries is to lend books. Shame on the Agawam Public Library for encouraging children to sit longer in front of the television than they already do.

Did we have to hire additional personnel to accommodate the influx of people borrowing videos? I like a good movie right along with the rest, but isn't that what video stores are for? How about having just educational videos available at the library?

If this is going to be the trend at the Agawam Public Library, then how about having a checkout line just for people still interested in borrowing books? (Like the express line at the grocery store!)

Deborah Markham  
Agawam

### Fast Car On Springfield St. Kills Family Pet

#### To The Editor:

On Sunday, March 1st, my son's dog was hit and killed by a car on Springfield Street, opposite Cumberland's.

We all (adults and children) lost not only a pet, but a newly acquired member of our family. The dog was bought by my son to mate with his female lab, and puppies had been promised to the grandchildren.

So not only have we lost one dog, but also future dogs which would have brought income to my son. Realizing we cannot regain any monetary compensation, we did not even receive any apologies.

How fast does a car travel on Springfield Street, right next to Brady Village where children play in their yard near the street, to kill a 65-pound dog instantly?

I'm thankful it wasn't a child, but Gunnar was just as precious to us.

Nancy King  
Feeding Hills

### Sullivan Campaign Taking Off In Agawam; More Needed

#### To The Editor:

As has probably been noticed, the Anne Sullivan campaign barometer has risen considerably. We are down to the last \$10,000 to

raise.

If 14 more citizens can donate \$750, their name, that of a loved one (child or adult), or maybe a family involved in the history of Agawam or Feeding Hills, will be engraved on a bronze plaque on the site.

This past week, several citizens have come forward who never realized how they might memorialize someone living or deceased. We are making plans for the casting of the plaque; since it will take six to eight weeks to be ready for the unveiling, we must set a deadline for the major contributors of April 13th. We expect a dedication on May 31st or June 1st.

The campaign has been a long one, but we are sure the citizens of Agawam will be pleased with our acquisition. Donations of any amount are welcome; please make checks payable to Anne Sullivan Memorial, P.O. Box 537, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030.

Thank you for your support.

Anne Sullivan Committee  
Marilyn Curry, Chairman

### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM

TOR-92-1 (Amended January 30th, 1992)

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 49, Article II, Section 49-7. Sub-Section 8 of the Code of the Town of Agawam. First reading as amended (Tier 5 approved February 3, 1992; second reading approved February 18, 1992; third reading approved March 2, 1992.

WHEREAS, based upon analysis of the position of Inspector of Weights & Measures, the Mayor of the Town of Agawam hereby recommends that the salary of said position be reduced; and

NOW THEREFORE, Chapter 49, Article II, Section 49-7, Sub-Section 8 of the Agawam Town Code, shall be amended by delegating and adding the following, effective January 1st, 1992:

#### DELETE:

Position, \*Inspector of Weights & Measures, Tier 2;

#### ADD:

Position, Inspector of Weights & Measures, Tier IH, amended to Tier Five on February 23, 1992.

Dated this tenth day of March, 1992.

PER ORDER OF THE AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL.

Jessie D. Fuller, President

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Saturday, March 28th  
Performance of "Emperor's New Clothes"  
by Magpie Puppet Theatre (for ages 3 & up)  
Ag. Public Library, 11 a.m. to 12 noon  
Call 789-1550 ahead of time to reserve seats

Saturday, March 28th  
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## Komack's Korner

### REAL ESTATE

**Q.** What is the difference between Tenants in Common, Joint Tenants and Tenants by the Entirety as a form of ownership?

**A.** Tenants in Common is where two or more people own property and the ownership percentages can be other than 50%/50%; for example, 60%/40% or 70%/30%. However, the key element is that there are no rights of survivorship; if one of the tenants in common dies, his interest goes to his estate, not to the surviving owner.

A Joint Tenancy must be equal ownership—in other words, 50%/50% or 1/3%, 1/3%, 1/3%. The key element here is the right of survivorship; if one joint tenant dies, his interest would automatically vest in the surviving owner of the property.

Tenants by the Entirety is specifically and only for husbands and wives and creates the right of survivorship the same as a joint tenancy, but also precludes either party from selling his ownership without the signature of the other party. Note: in Tenants in Common and Joint Tenants, if one of the owners can find someone to buy his interest, they can sell their interest without the other tenants' approval.

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### BUSINESS

**Q.** Do you need a Certificate of Title for a car over 10 years old?

**A.** Effective November 26th, 1990, Massachusetts joined 42 other states in requiring application for a title when registering all

passenger vehicles, regardless of age. There is no longer an exemption for cars 10 years or older.

When registering a newly acquired, older-model car for which a current title does not exist, motorists must file the original bill of sale with the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

For newer cars, current titles must be presented. The requirement is aimed at protecting buyers of older cars from fraud.

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### PROBATE

**Q.** What is the difference between an Executor and an Administrator?

**A.** When going to the Probate Court after someone dies, it is necessary to appoint a person who will act in a fiduciary capacity to make decisions, gather all the assets, sell the assets if necessary, and/or make sure the beneficiaries receive what they are due.

If a person dies with a will, that person is called an Executor or Executrix. If a person dies without a will, that person is called an Administrator or Administratrix. So the difference lies in whether the deceased left a will or not; each has the same duties and obligations.

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### PERSONAL INJURY

**Q.** How do I receive compensation if I am injured in an automobile accident?

**A.** If you are operating your car and you are in an accident, your own insurance carrier must pay your medical bills and any lost wages. The limits of payment are in your insurance contract.

For accidents which occur after January 1st, 1990, an \$8,000 benefit is available on your policy (for accidents before January 1st, 1990, the limit is \$2,000).

You may bring a claim against the individual who causes the accident if you have incurred over \$2,000 in medical expenses, have suffered a fracture or permanent scarring. This claim is commonly referred to as an action to recover "pain and suffering."

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If you have any questions or would like a free initial consultation, please call **STANLEY D. KOMACK, ESQ.**, at any time at (413) 785-1851.

## Melconian Applauds Nader's Efforts

State Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) has applauded the efforts of consumer advocate Ralph Nader, who called for the repeal of No-Fault auto insurance in Massachusetts at a recent press conference in Springfield.

Senator Melconian, who was not present at the press conference, stated, "Ralph Nader has, throughout his career, been a staunch advocate for the American consumer. His opposition to No-Fault insurance on their behalf is well-known and well-documented."

"My opposition to No-Fault insurance," she continued, "is also on behalf of consumers throughout Massachusetts. As Senate Chairman of the Insurance Committee, I am resolved to develop a reform package with meaningful, long-term savings for all Massachusetts motorists."

In commenting on the recently submitted Weld Administration proposal for insurance reform, Senator Melconian said, "I wholeheartedly support the Governor's emphasis on cracking down on fraud in the system. I believe that we can find significant savings in vigorously pursuing the anti-fraud provisions of the bill."

"However, in my opinion, expanding No-Fault insurance through the addition of verbal thresholds is the wrong way to go. A move to verbal threshold will only serve to further limit consumers' rights, while doing nothing to hold down costs in the long-run or get at the root causes of insurance fraud."

The Joint Committee on Insurance has scheduled a public hearing on Auto Insurance Reform for Wednesday, March 18th, at 11:00 a.m. at the Statehouse.

## Agawam Republicans To Meet April 4th

The second spring meeting of the Agawam Republican Committee will be held on Saturday, April 4th, at Oak Ridge Country Club, Feeding Hills, at 8:30 a.m.

The election of officers will be made at this meeting. An invitation to persons interested in becoming a member of the committee is extended at this time.

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# Agawam Obituaries

## David Gearing

David W. Gearing, 48, of 3E Mansion Woods, founder of a Westfield company, died recently at home.

He began his career in the paper industry in the early 1960s and founded Main Line Industries in Westfield. He was its president and owner for the last 15 years.

He was a graduate of West Springfield High School, and excelled in sports there. While in high school, he was named a Schoolboy All-American for his accomplishments on the football team, and later played for the former Springfield Acorns semi-professional team.

He moved to Agawam seven years ago and was a member of the First Baptist Church. He was an avid golfer and a member of the Springfield Country Club, and also enjoyed hunting.

He leaves his wife, the former Allison L. Williams; his mother, Leta (Kirby) Gearing of Agawam; two sons, David J. of Vacaville, Calif., and Jay L. of West Springfield; a daughter, Ashley L. Gearing at home; three brothers, L. Perry of Barrington, R.I., Ronald L. of West Springfield, and Kirby H. of Feeding Hills; and a grandchild.

The funeral was at First Baptist Church, with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of Pioneer Valley, Box 51946, Springfield, MA 01151-5946.

## Elizabeth M. Thornton

Elizabeth M. (Detweiler) Guenther Thornton, 69, of 33 Norman Terrace, Feeding Hills, died in Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

An eight-year certified home health aide for Kimberly Quality Care and Hooper Holmes Care,

she retired in 1991. She was previously employed as a dental assistant.

Born in Pittsfield, she was a 1941 graduate of Schenley High School there. She moved to South Hadley in 1962 and lived there before moving to Feeding Hills last year.

She was a member of South Hadley Congregational Church. Her husband, Earle H. Thornton, died in 1971.

She leaves three daughters, Barbara L. Griffin of Longmeadow, Beverly A. Weil of St. Petersburg, Florida, and Patricia K. Guenther of Jacksonville, Florida; and five grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Agawam Funeral Home, with burial at the convenience of the family. Donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 33 Fourth Avenue, Needham, MA, 02194.

## Matthew S. Nowacki

Matthew S. Nowacki, 78, of 59 Forest Hill Road in Feeding Hills, a 38-year assembler at Cincinnati Milacron Co. in Worcester, died recently in Baystate Medical Center.

He retired in 1978. Born in Worcester, he lived there most of his life and moved to Feeding Hills in December of 1991.

He was a communicant of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Worcester and of Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills.

He leaves his wife, the former Stella Krzeminska; a son, Robert N. of Feeding Hills; and two grandchildren, Mark Nowacki and Christine Nowacki, both of Feeding Hills.

The funeral was at the Curran-Jones Agawam Funeral Home and in the church, with burial in Notre Dame Cemetery in Worcester.



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### LITTLE DAVID

Where are you going, David?

Oh little David,

where are you going?

You didn't pick up your toys.

Your favorite truck is still lying on its side,  
and you little tool set is strewn about  
on the floor.

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Where are you going, David?

Your rocking horse is still teetering  
in the corner;

you just climbed down and  
thanked him for the ride.

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Where are you going, David?

The wind is pushing your swing back & forth,  
beckoning you to come and play.  
The sun shines down on a silent sandbox,  
lonely for the touch of your little hands.

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Oh little David, happy little David.

Your smiles and laughter are on my mind.  
Your joy is in my heart.

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Why have you gone, David?

Oh little David, why have you gone?

How special you must be to be  
embraced in the arms of God.

Sadly Missed By Your Entire Family.  
by Kathleen A. Sullivan

## Agawam Veterans Council Continue Plans For Construction Of Gazebo On Center Green

As previously reported in *The Agawam Advertiser*, the Agawam Veterans Council has plans to construct a gazebo on the veterans green on Main Street in front of Phelps School.

The gazebo, to be known as the Agawam Veterans Memorial Community Gazebo, is designed to accommodate 32 people. It will have perimeter lighting and electrical outlets. The estimated cost of construction is \$8,000.

The Veterans Council—consisting of five members appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Town Council in April of last year—are all volunteers and do not use any professional fundraising organizations to meet their goals. It is their intention that the new gazebo be a community project, one that is supported by and for the use of the people of Agawam.

The members of the Veterans Council envision the gazebo being utilized for not only parade and veteran ceremonies, but for summer concerts,

organizational activities, school ceremonies, and other cultural presentations.

They would like to have the gazebo completed in time for dedication at this year's Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony. In order to do this, they now need the support of the citizens, organizations, and businesses of the community of Agawam.

If each resident of Agawam (man, woman, and child) were to contribute less than 40¢ apiece in support of the project, the Veterans Council would be successful. Please bring them your pennies—empty those jars and bottles and boxes of pennies you have collected at home.

Bring them what you can so that our community can honor its veterans and serve its citizens with a new gazebo on the veterans green. Donations may be made to the Agawam Gazebo Building Fund, care of the Veterans Services office in Town Hall.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Town Hall Clerk's Office, Conference Room, THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 1992 at 6:45 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of MARK AND FRANCES CANCELLIERE who are seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-7, Paragraph B-2 of the Zoning Ordinances to allow for the construction of an addition, a second floor, at the premises identified as 269 NORTH STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,  
Ronald Hebert, Chairman

Published: March 19, 1992

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### LEGAL NOTICE

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The Agawam Fire Department suggests you take a few moments to check some areas of your house for hazards that could cause a fire.

Overloaded electrical outlets; careless disposal of smoking materials; leaving the kitchen while the stove is in use; smoking in bed; flammable liquids improperly stored in the house ... all of these can contribute to fire fatality in the home.

It only takes a minute to check your home for fire hazards. Call the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662 for more information.

### Hot Water Can Burn You

Hot water can burn as badly as fire. Scald burns can cause disfigurement and even death.

The Agawam Fire Department warns that the major cause of scalds in homes is the water heater set too high. Most adults will suffer a third-degree burn—the worst kind—if exposed to 150°F. water for only two seconds.

Children and the elderly have more sensitive skin that burns even quicker. Test your water temperature with a meat thermometer at each faucet.

If the temperature is over 120°F., turn your water heater down. Never leave a child alone in a sink or bathtub.

### Councilor Gravel Slates More Office Hours

City Councilor Nancy Gravel will hold additional office hours on Monday, March 23rd, 1992. The hours will be from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Community Room at the Agawam Public Library.

Councilor Gravel will hold these additional hours in an effort to be available to Agawam residents who may not be able to meet with her during her monthly daytime hours. All residents are invited to meet with Mrs. Gravel to discuss issues of concern to them.

## Regional Council To Meet In Agawam

Agawam will host the first regional City Councilors meeting on Saturday, March 28th, 1992. This meeting, sponsored by the Massachusetts Municipal City Councilors Association, will convene at the Agawam Senior Center at 9:00 a.m.

According to Nancy Gravel, Agawam City Councilor and local coordinator of this event, this will be the first of three such meetings to be held across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide a workshop for area City Councilors on Governor Weld's FY93 budget. A roundtable discussion will also take place which will address other pertinent issues.

This meeting will be chaired by Fitchburg Councilor Bernard Foley, Chairperson of the Massachusetts Municipal Councilors Association. Also in attendance will be Geoffrey Beckwith, newly appointed Executive Director of the Massachusetts Municipal Association.

The MMA is the professional organization of elected municipal officials in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

#### LEGAL NOTICE

#### TOWN OF AGAWAM AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, March 26, 1992, at 7:15 PM, in the Faolin Pierce Community Room, at the Agawam Police Station, 681 Springfield Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, called to act upon the petition of Admass Corp. to perform work subject to the ACT on Lot 10, Forest Glenn Estates.

Henry Kozloski, Chairman

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Published: March 19, 1992.

#### LEGAL NOTICE

#### TOWN OF AGAWAM LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE APPROVED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TOR-92-5

An ordinance amending Chapter 96, Section 96-8, of the Agawam Town Code. First reading approved February 18, 1992 and second and final readings approved March 2, 1992.

WHEREAS, The Town of Agawam recognizes the need to keep public areas free of waste, and;  
WHEREAS, the Town of Agawam recognizes the need to have dogs curbed and properly dispose of such waste, and;

WHEREAS, The Town of Agawam recognizes that the non-disposal or improper disposal of such waste creates a nuisance:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by The Town of Agawam that Chapter 96, Section 96-8 be amended as follows:  
ADD and Insert in Chapter 96, Section 96-8A as follows:

A. NUISANCES PROHIBITED: disposal of feces.

No person owning, harboring, keeping, or in charge of any dog shall cause, or allow such dogs to soil, defile, defecate, on or commit any nuisance on any common thoroughfare, sidewalk, passageway, public way, path, play area, park, or any place where people congregate or walk or upon any private property without the permission of the owner of said property, and the following conditions shall apply:

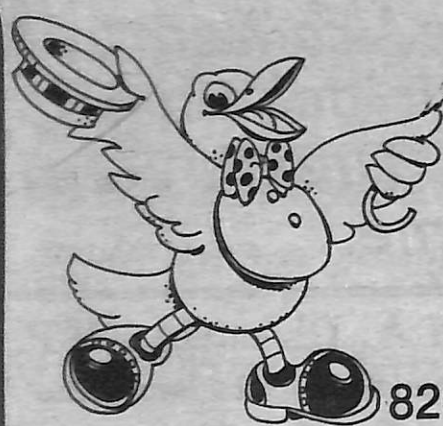
1. The person who controls such dog within those areas described above shall immediately remove all feces deposited by such dog.

2. The feces removed from the aforementioned designated area shall be disposed of by the person owning, harboring, keeping or in charge of such dog by flushing same down a Sanitary Sewer System or by use of a chemical container causing disintegration. In the event that a chemical container is used, ultimate disposal must be made in accordance with the Department of Environmental Resources regulations concerning solid waste disposal.

Dated this NINTH DAY OF MARCH 1992.  
PER ORDER OF THE AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL.  
Jessie D. Fuller, President  
Agawam Town Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY  
Thomas S. Locke, Town Solicitor  
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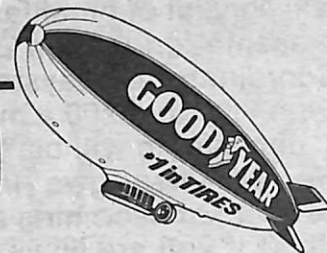


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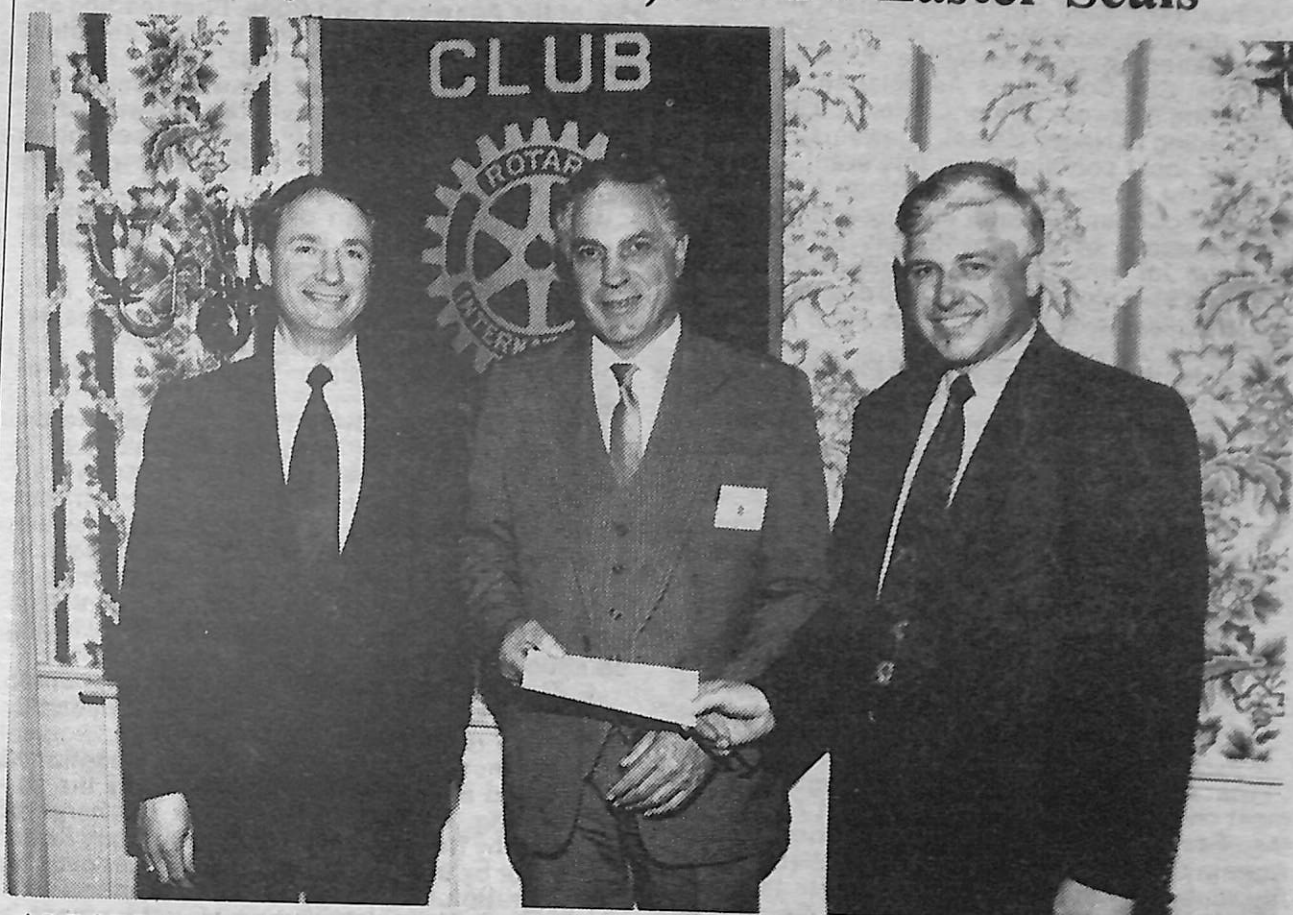
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## Families

### Rotary Donates \$1,000 To Easter Seals



AS PART OF THE RECENT EASTER SEAL TELETHON televised on TV-22, members of the Agawam Rotary helped to operate the phones. The Rotary donated \$1,000 to the cause, which was headed by member Jack Sarat (right). Members Richard Bellico and James V. Bruno (president) were also involved with the effort. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Senior Center Plans Breakfast Program

On Monday, April 6th, the Senior Center will host the first in a series of Breakfast Programs. The first seminar will consist of breakfast at 8:00 a.m. and a presentation by Jim Buker, Senior Class Coordinator of Baystate Medical Center, from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Jim's topic will be "Aging in America." He will also give information on the benefits of becoming a member of Senior Class if you are 55 years of age or older.

The breakfast will comprise of juice, coffee, cereal, fruit and muffins. The donation will be \$1.50 per person and will include a raffle.

To make reservations, call the Senior Center, 786-0400, extension 242, or "The Professionals" at 784-2255. For more information, contact Pauline Mercadante at the Senior Center.

Watch the newspapers for the next seminar, which will be held in July and have a current topic of interest.

### Ag. Tour Planners Heading For Niagara

The Agawam Tour Planners are now accepting reservations for the following trips:

Niagara Falls and Toronto—June 15th, for four days. Price \$327 (twin).

World Yacht Cruise (New York)—One day, August 6th. Cost \$50.

A four-day Maine coast adventure—starting September 10th. Price \$287 (twin).

A one-day mystery trip—October 14th.

A \$25 deposit will hold a reservation. For more information, call Helen Blanchard, 786-9859; Nellie Mathias, 786-9093; or stop by the ticket booth at the Agawam Senior Center, daily from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Spring Craft Fair March 28th 9-4

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### Ag. Congregational Lists Easter Schedule

The Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam, announces its weekly list of upcoming events and activities:

Sunday, March 22nd is Heifer Project Dedication. All monies collected will be dedicated on this day.

Lenten Midweek Service—this Wednesday night half-hour service is at 7:00 p.m., and is immediately followed by the Lenten Relate Bible Study series at 7:30 p.m. Barry Toussaint and Reverend Fuller will conduct this hour-long program that relates God's word to the reality of everyday life.

#### EASTER SCHEDULE

On Maundy Thursday, April 16th, there will be a service at 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunrise Service is at 5:45 a.m. on Provin Mt. on the East lawn. Following the sunrise service, there will be a breakfast back at the church at 7:00 a.m.

There will be two Easter Services held; one is at 9:00 a.m., and the other is at 11:00 a.m. A Continental Breakfast will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 10:30 a.m.

There is no charge for either breakfast; however, donations are welcome.

Our second annual Ziti & Meatball Supper is set for Thursday, April 2nd. There are two sittings—5:00 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. The cost is \$4.50 for adults, and \$2.50 for children under 12.

For reservations, call Peg McCobb, 786-8195, or the church office, 786-7111. Reservations close March 30th.

Special Program—A free self-defense class will be presented by Rick Wills and Scott Mazza on April 5th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome; please call Sue Tapply, 786-1430, to register.

New Group Forming! "Family Night" will meet on April 10th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Childcare will be available following a potluck dessert. A speaker from the Memory Training Institute will amaze and amuse and teach techniques for unlocking unused memory potential. All are welcome; to register, call 786-1430.

*Please remember that our deadline is every Tuesday at noontime.*

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## Speaking From The Bible

by David Lanquist, Pastor  
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The gospel of Mark tells of a moral man, known as the rich young ruler, coming to Jesus to inquire of eternal life. He began by listing several commandments.

The ruler responded by telling Christ he has observed all the commandments since he was a young boy. Christ answered, "One thing you lack."

Apparently Our Lord did not take time to elaborate on the man's good points. No doubt he had them, but Christ was concerned with his sin. He went on to tell him his problem was a love of money.

Christ told him, "Go and sell all you possess, and give to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven, and come follow me." The Scriptures tell us the man went away "grieved, for he was one who owned much property."

Obviously Christ was not telling this man that the only way to inherit eternal life is to be poor. What He was telling him was that the first step to eternal life is to acknowledge sin. Christ wanted him to realize he was a sinner, for he felt he had obeyed all the commandments.

We too may feel we have done an adequate job in keeping the commandments, but Christ says to us, "One thing you lack." Maybe it's love of money as with this man. Maybe it's bitterness, or the love of a person more than love of God.

Whatever sin we may have, God can and will help us to overcome it. Nothing is impossible with God.

A man who worships anything or anybody other than God cannot receive eternal life. Jesus Christ is the very center of heaven. Every community has in it some respectable men who lose eternal life because money is their god.

Your sin may not be money. It may be a person, success, or something else. "One thing you lack."

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## Agawam CROP Walk Funds Donated



LAST OCTOBER 20TH some 300 individuals of all ages walked 10K in the Agawam/West Springfield CROP Walk For World Hunger. The Walk, held on a gorgeous fall day, gathered pledges totalling \$13,881, with a net gain of \$3,470.25. The Walk Committee wishes to thank all those who participated, and a special thank-you to the Agawam Police Department for helping to make it a safe walk. Committee member Paul Sutton (left - popular TV-40 weatherman and town resident) watches as Bob Broga turn over the check to Diane Crowell, director of the Open Pantry as Bud Hardy looks on. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Area Knitting Guild To Gather At Yarn Shop In Feeding Hills

The Greater Springfield Knitting Guild will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 24th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Yarn Shop, 360 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

The topic for this month will be various ribbings.

All knitters, both beginners and advanced, are welcome. For further information, contact Frieda, 567-6387, or Judy, 567-5380.

## Mount Carmel Women's Guild Plans Agawam Fashion Show

The Mount Carmel Women's Guild will hold a Brunch and Fashion Show with Fashions by HIT OR MISS on Sunday, March 29th, at Chez Josef, Shoemaker Lane, Agawam.

The fun begins at 11:00 a.m.. There will be door prizes awarded. The price is \$17.50 per person. For further information, contact Teresa Galluzzo and Julie Fiore at either 736-2361 or 734-5540.

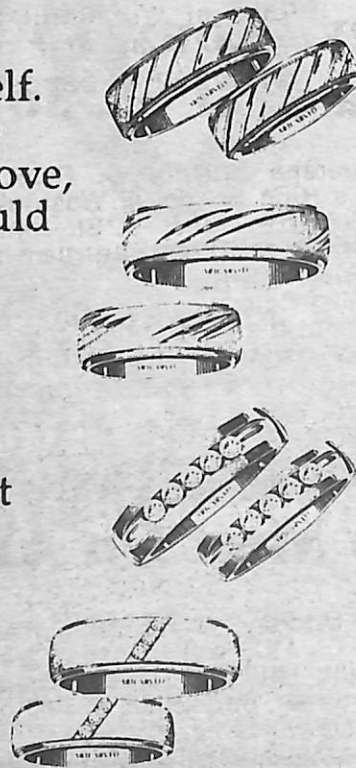
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## Many Local Businesses Looking To Annual Home Show To Increase Sales

Home enthusiasts, hearken to the first sign of Spring! **HOME SHOW '92** — The "Original" Western Massachusetts Home Show will arrive Tuesday, March 24th and run through Sunday, March 29th at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield.

An annual production of the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield, **HOME SHOW '92** is the region's biggest and most comprehensive display of products and services for the home. Now in its 39th year, the "Original" Western Massachusetts Home Show draws visitors from throughout the northeast United States and Canada to see the latest in both necessities and luxuries for inside and outside the home.

Boasting over 400 exhibitors from across the United States and Canada, **HOME SHOW '92** will occupy more than 700 booths in the Better Living Center and the Young Building. Connecting the buildings is Home Town, USA, the outdoor exhibit area which will feature five fully-furnished and landscaped model homes, a log house constructed on site, sun spaces and other displays.

The "Original" Western Massachusetts Home Show has grown steadily since 1953, becoming one of the largest annual consumer expos in the Northeast and New England's biggest home show, attracting over 93,000 visitors last year. It is the Eastern States Exposition's second-largest event, both in terms of attendance and exhibit space—only the Big E is larger.

Sue LaVoie, Vice President of the Exposition, states that this home show, sponsored by the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield, is "one of the finest shows we present here in terms of quality of displays and companies represented. I have never seen another home show with so large an exhibitor base or one which covers so much ground," she said.

"The Home Show has a tremendous impact on the area's economy," said Edward R. Pedersen, Home Show Director and Executive Vice President of the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield. "It contributes many millions of dollars each year to the region in the form of tourist trade, the hiring of local labor, home show sales and, most significant, post-show sales."

Indeed, the greatest economic impact of the Home Show is the dollars committed to future sales through mortgages, contracts, agreements, and leads. Many additional local sales of products, materials and services will occur later as the result of ideas gleaned from the Home Show.

"There is something at **HOME SHOW '92** to improve every person's living space and lifestyle," said Home Show Director Pedersen. "It's for everyone planning to buy, build, remodel, renovate, restore or decorate a home, either by hiring a contractor or doing-it-themselves. The

Home Show puts all of the latest ideas and materials at the consumers' disposal, and best of all, they can benefit from the expertise of true building industry professionals, unmatched by any other show," he said.

### Dozens of Options

Whether you own or rent, every home enthusiast will discover dozens of options at the Home Show for his and her living space, house, condo, apartment, townhouse, or mobile home. The Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield takes pride in its long tradition of providing the comprehensive consumer marketplace for any home-related project or improvement.

Show-goers shop for products, services, bargains and, most of all, ideas, because there's no better place to start planning for one's dream home than at **HOME SHOW '92**—The "Original" Western Massachusetts Home Show.

More than six acres of exhibit space filled to capacity offers visitors to the show "a full house of values and fun things to do":

\*\*Construction and craft professionals offering the latest products and techniques in the home building and remodeling industries;

\*\*Home decorating experts bringing the best in furniture, carpeting, draperies, and upholstery—from the classic to the contemporary;

\*\*The latest in the home electronics products, including computers, entertainment equipment, security systems and home appliances for every budget;

\*\*A wide variety of household items designed to make every day easier, healthier and more productive;

\*\*Outdoor experts ranging from landscape professionals to makers of pools and saunas, as well as deck and patio builders and outfitters;

\*\*Real estate and lending representatives to help you through the process of acquiring your new home;

\*\*Thousands of home improvement ideas for today—or tomorrow;

\*\*Daily Swim and Cruisewear Fashion Shows, featuring the latest in styles from Steiger's;

\*\*Hundreds of free product samples and giveaways;

\*\*The opportunity to win a \$1,000 **HOME SHOW '92** Shopping Spree on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Sign-up areas are located in both the Better Living Center and Young Building, and the drawings will be held at 9:00 p.m., March 24th, 25th and 26th in the Better Living Center. No purchase necessary. Winners need not be present at the drawing, but must spend or contract to spend their \$1,000 prize during **HOME SHOW '92**.

\*\*The opportunity to win one of three 10' x 12' playhouses, built like real homes by area high school students, with free delivery within 50 miles. Drawings at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, March

29th in Home Town, USA. No purchase necessary; winners need not be present.

\*\*The chance to win a \$1,000 Cash Grand Prize in the Home Town, USA Giveaway, for those who visit at least four of the homes on display. Drawing for the prize will be at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 29th in Home Town, USA. No purchase necessary; winner need not be present.

Hours for **HOME SHOW '92** are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 24th-26th—5:00 to 10:00 p.m.; Friday, March 27th—1:00 to 10:00 p.m.; Saturday, March 28th—10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; and Sunday, March 29th—Noon to 7:00 p.m. Home Town, USA—the outdoor exhibit area—will open at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday through Thursday, March 24th-26th.

General Admission is \$6 for adults; children under 12 are admitted Free. Visitors may use discount coupons, available throughout Western Massachusetts and Northern Connecticut, to reduce their admission to \$5 on any one of the six days of **HOME SHOW '92**.

Senior Citizen Admission on Friday, March 27th from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. is \$3. Visitors age 60 and older may also use the \$1 discount coupon to reduce their admission to \$2 during this time. Appropriate identification is required.

### Corporate Ticket Program

In addition, show-goers may obtain tickets in advance at considerable savings from their employers through **HOME SHOW '92** Corporate Ticket Program. Area companies may obtain 10 or more tickets for \$3.50 apiece, a savings of \$2.50 per ticket. There is no cost for a company to participate. Contact Richard George at the Home Show (413) 733-8158 to learn more about the Prepaid Order and popular Consignment Programs for Corporate Tickets.

**HOME SHOW '92**—The "Original" Western Massachusetts Home Show is held on the grounds of the Eastern States Exposition on Memorial Avenue, West Springfield. **HOME SHOW '92** is just minutes from Mass Pike exits 4 and 6 and I-91 exits 6 and 7. There are acres of free parking.

**HOME SHOW '92**—The "Original" Western Massachusetts Home Show is the only home show sponsored and produced by the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield, a not-for-profit trade association founded in 1939 to promote the best interests of the residential construction industry and the home buyer. It has nearly 500 members located throughout Western Massachusetts and Northern Connecticut who are engaged in all aspects of the home building industry.

The Greater Springfield association is an affiliate of the National Association of Home Builders, the leading trade association for the home building industry in the United States, with more than 160,000 members nationwide.

## Rev. Roux To Give Mass At St. John's

Reverend Philippe D. Roux, teacher at St. Mary's High School in Westfield, will celebrate the 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church, Main Street, Agawam Center, Wednesday, March 25th.

Father Roux's subject will be "Mary, Sorrowful Mother at the Foot of the Cross." Father Richard Meehan, pastor of St. John's, invites the public to attend.

## Bishop's Task Force To Meet On AIDS

On Monday, March 30th, the Bishop's Task Force On AIDS will sponsor a prayer vigil for people with HIV/AIDS at St. Michael's Cathedral, State Street, Springfield at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

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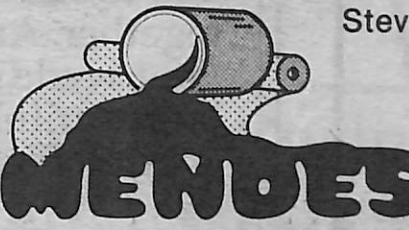
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## Jr. Women's Club Continues 35-Year Celebration

As it currently celebrates its 35th anniversary, the Agawam Junior Women's Club is looking back at some of the contributions that the Club has made to the town of Agawam over the years.

In this, the third in a series of articles recognizing the club's accomplishments, the years 1967 to 1972 are highlighted:

During this period of time, the Agawam Junior Women's Club continued to support a wide variety of community projects. Some traditions were continued, including the conservation poster contest, Christmas baskets and gifts for a needy family, and scholarships for graduating high school seniors.

Other community services throughout these years included redecorating the Feeding Hills library and the kitchenette of the Agawam Counseling Center, and donating safety grip rails for the pool and game equipment for a fenced-in "Kiddy Yard" to the local YMCA.

The club also sent Christmas packages to Agawam servicemen in Vietnam, took the Town Census, planted a tree at the Agawam High School, and assisted the Springfield Symphony Orchestra with its membership drive.

In 1972, Juniors worked with other organizations on the Halloween Parade. Funds and volunteer hours were also provided for the Touch and See Trail for the Blind at Hale Camping Reservation in Westwood, MA.

In addition, various donations were given by the Club to YMCA, Agawam Special Classes, Forest Park Zoological Society, Channel 57, Agawam Public Library, and others.

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The years 1967-72 saw the Juniors continuing to donate time and effort to support services for the senior citizens of our community. Members drove seniors to Golden Age meetings, and the club continued to sponsor an annual Christmas party for senior citizens.

In addition, the Juniors innovated a new service called "Life Line," which involved calling senior citizens daily to make sure they were in good health and able to function alone. Members also helped serve at the Fourth of July picnic and mon-

thly "cocktail parties" at Heritage Hall.

During this period, the club sponsored many activities to benefit the children of Agawam. The Juniors sponsored a Poetry Contest for seventh- and eighth-grade students, with a first prize of an American flag which had flown over the U.S. capitol.

With the Agawam Citizens Organization, the club co-sponsored a Panel Drug Program at the senior high school. To teach children not to litter, the character of "Lulu the Litterbug" was created; a Junior donned a costume and presented skits to preschoolers and the five area kindergartens.

The Juniors also supervised a newly formed youth group, The Junior Miss Club, which gave young girls aged 12 to 16 an opportunity to help in community projects.

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The club provided much support for the mentally retarded during this period. In 1969, the club received a certificate of merit from the Belcher-town State School for the Mentally Retarded.

During that year, and several others, club

members painted animals and murals on the walls of the school and also donated clothes and toys to the school. The club also held a recreational program for local mentally retarded children.

An annual softball game was held to benefit the Hampden County Association for Mental Retardation and other such organizations.

During these years, the Agawam Junior Women's Club supported the local community in these and other ways. Juniors were also busy providing support on a national and international level as well.

The club also provided its members with interesting and informational monthly programs and social activities (not only for club members but for their families as well).

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts. Membership in the Juniors is open to any women interested in making new friends while serving the community.

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MEMBERS OF THE KITCHEN CREW at the Agawam First Baptist Church Pancake Breakfast are Cindy LeClair, Peter Monahan, and Jill LeClair. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ATTENDING A PANCAKE & SAUSAGE Breakfast sponsored by the Agawam First Baptist Church on Sunday, March 8th are, from left - Lynn Reynolds, Cynthia Reynolds and Norman E. Reynolds. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



TAKING TICKETS AT THE DOOR at the Agawam First Baptist Church are Jamie Couture, Jessica Dickson, and Amber Paradysz. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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by Roger Martin  
Pastor, Agawam Church of the Bible

A couple of weeks ago, my six year-old son asked if we could go skating on the pond behind our home. Obviously, he believed the ice would hold us up like it had only a month or so ago.

But, in spite of what he believed, had he walked out on the ice, he would have fallen through it. His "faith" wouldn't change the fact that the ice would not support him.

Now, some people believe that the Bible calls for "faith" on "thin ice." In my last article, I quoted Carl Sagan's suggestion that the central meaning of "religious" faith is to believe in the absence of hard evidence.

A similar idea is expressed by a Mark Twain character who says, "Faith is believing what you know ain't so." Are they right? Is this the faith that God requires?

I will be the first to tell you that God, in the Bible, will ask us to believe some things that can't be seen, but never is one asked to believe something that is not real or true, something that "just ain't so."

In fact, the truth of the Bible hinges largely on an actual, provable event in history—the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Listen to this passage from the Bible, where Paul tells believers, "If Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless, and so is your faith...If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile, you are still in your sins."

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## Quilters To Gather At The Oaks

Due to circumstances beyond their control, the Pioneer Valley Quilters announce that the dates and location for their upcoming "Pieces of Time" Quilt Show have been changed.

Instead of being held on Saturday and Sunday, March 28th and 29th, at the Howard Johnson's Inn in Chicopee, the show will now take place on Friday and Saturday, March 27th and 28th, at The Oaks banquet facilities, located at 1070 Suffield Street (Route 75) in Agawam.

The show will run from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on both days. The Pioneer Valley Quilters sincerely apologize for these last-minute changes in their plans, and hope to see as many prospective patrons as possible at their show on March 27th and 28th.

**PLEASE REMEMBER that our deadline is every Tuesday at noontime.**

Did you read that carefully? Believers in Jesus are told that if Jesus did not come alive from the dead, their preaching is useless, their sins aren't forgiven, and their faith is futile, or worthless.

Is he saying that "faith" can be worthless? Yes it is, if the object of faith is untrue.

The truth can be stated this way: your faith is only as effective as what it is based on. I return to the "ice" illustration.

Every year, we hear about someone who fell through thin ice. These people sincerely believed the ice would hold, but reality proved their "faith" wrong.

All of us exhibit faith every day, but it's the reality of what we believe that counts. The faith that God requires is to trust his truth, which can be counted on.

The "good news" of the Bible is that God came to earth in Jesus Christ, died to pay the penalty for your sin and mine, and rose from the dead to show that He was Lord of all. It is not enough to just "know" the facts; we must trust them, "stepping out on the ice," so to speak.

Jesus made it clear, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies." I encourage you to put your trust in what Jesus Christ did for you; you can be sure that his "ice" will not give way!

If you would like to make a suggestion or comment, write me a note and send it to: P.O. Box 130, Agawam, MA, 01001.

## Vendors Sought For Founders Day

Space is now available for vendors who are interested in displaying and selling craft items at the Founders/Nostalgia Day celebration.

The event is scheduled for Friday evening, May 8th, and Saturday, May 9th, 1992, on the grounds of Heritage Hall Nursing Centers, 61 Cooper Street, Agawam.

The fourth annual event is to include a 10K road race, stage entertainment, an antique car show, games and rides for the entire family, and much more.

Craft space is limited and may be reserved by contacting Carol Hill or Regina Bossig at 786-8000, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



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**Monday, March 23rd:** Beef pastie (potatoes, beef, carrots, onions) in pastry crust, tossed salad, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit.

**Tuesday, March 24th:** Corn chowder, chunky turkey salad on roll, carrot/celery/cheese sticks, apple square.

**Wednesday, March 25th:** Chicken cacciatore, ziti, broccoli, Vienna bread, rice pudding.

**Thursday, March 26th:** Shepherd's pie, green beans, whole wheat bread, peaches.

**Friday, March 27th:** Baked fish, rice Florentine, corn, rye bread, pineapple tidbits.

(Menu subject to change without notice.)

## Ag. Women's Club To Meet March 23rd

The March meeting of the Agawam Women's Club will be held at the Captain Charles Leonard House on Monday, March 23rd, at 7:30 p.m.

The program will be presented by the Agawam Congregational Church Golden Bell Choir under the leadership of Alice Moore.

Also at this meeting the nominating committee will present the slate of officers for the 1992-93 season.

This will be the final opportunity to make reservations for the April 27th annual meeting and banquet to be held at the Casa Di Lisa Ristorante in Feeding Hills.

## Ag. Citizens For Life Slate March 24 Meeting

The Agawam Chapter of Massachusetts for Life will hold a meeting on Tuesday, March 24th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Agawam Police Station Community Room.

For more information, please call Steve Fields at 789-4439.

## Agawam Junior Women's Club Sponsoring First "Town Fair" At Perry Lane Park

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is sponsoring a TOWN FAIR on Saturday, May 23rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (rain date is May 30th) at Perry Lane Park.

The fair will feature games, food, balloons, a dunking booth, face painting, and other fun activities for families. Admission will be free. Game booths are available to any Agawam organization interested in a fundraiser.

Each organization can develop its own idea for a game, create the booth, run it the day of the fair,

and receive profit from the booth for the organization.

The Agawam Junior Women will be providing extensive, advance publicity for the fair and hope to make it a real townwide effort with many different organizations working together. Join in the fun!

If your organization is interested in sponsoring a booth or for more information, contact Nancy Campi at 786-9972 by March 20th.

## 21-Plus Club To Meet At FH Congregational

The 21-Plus Club at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church invites anyone over the age of 21 to an evening of board games to be held at the church on Saturday, March 21st, beginning at 7:00 p.m. A "potluck" dessert will be served.

Just bring your favorite game(s) and a dessert, and join in the fun!

For additional information, call the church at 786-5061.

Feeding Hills Congregational Church will hold its Second Lenten Discussion on Sunday, March 22nd. The topic will be "The Ministry of the Church," and is being sponsored by the Pastor/Parish Relations Committee of the church.

A Potluck Supper will precede the talk at 5:30 p.m. For further information, contact the church at 786-5061.

## Tag & Bake Sale At St. Thomas Church

A Tag & Bake Sale will be sponsored by St. Thomas Church Women's Club, Westfield Street, Route 20, West Springfield, Saturday, April 4th and Sunday, April 5th, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. to noontime, respectively.

Bring clean, usable donations to the clubroom on Thursday, April 2nd, between 9:00 a.m. to noontime and 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., or Friday, April 3rd, at the same times.

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**APPROVED ORDINANCE TOR-92-3**  
An ordinance to Amend Chapter 12, Section 12-1, Sub-Section B of the Agawam Town Code. First reading approved February 3, 1992; second reading approved February 18, 1992; third reading approved March 2, 1992.

WHEREAS, based upon an analysis of the position of Inspector of Weights & Measures the Mayor of The Town of Agawam hereby recommends that the Cable Television Liaison Officer be the Deputy Director of Municipal Buildings/Town Electrician rather than the Inspector of Weights and Measures; and

NOW THEREFORE, Chapter 12, Section 12-1, Sub-Section B of the Agawam Town Code shall be amended by deleting and adding the following, effective January 1, 1992:

**DELETE ENTER SUB-SECTION  
ADD AS FOLLOWS:**

B. The Cable Television Advisory Commission shall consist of five (5) members. One (1) member shall be the Deputy Director of Municipal Buildings/Town Electrician, who shall serve as The Town of Agawam's Cable Television Liaison Officer, and four (4) members shall be appointed by the Mayor annually. The members of the first Commission appointments shall be one (1) member of serve one (1) years from the date of appointment; one (1) member to serve one (1) year from date of appointment; one (1) member to serve two (2) years from date of appointment; one (1) member to serve three (3) years from date of appointment; and one (1) member of serve four (4) years from date of appointment.

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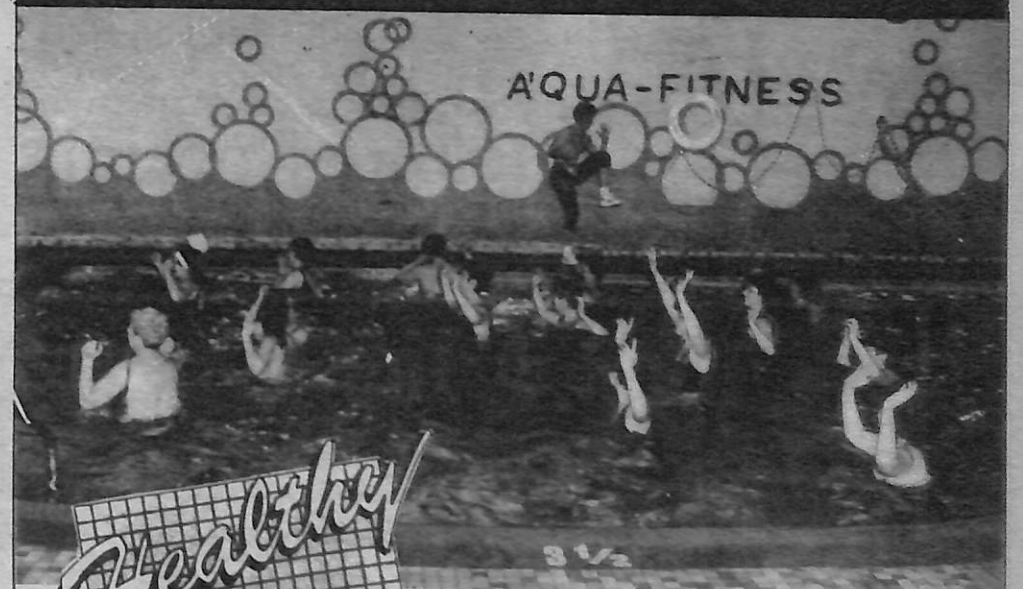
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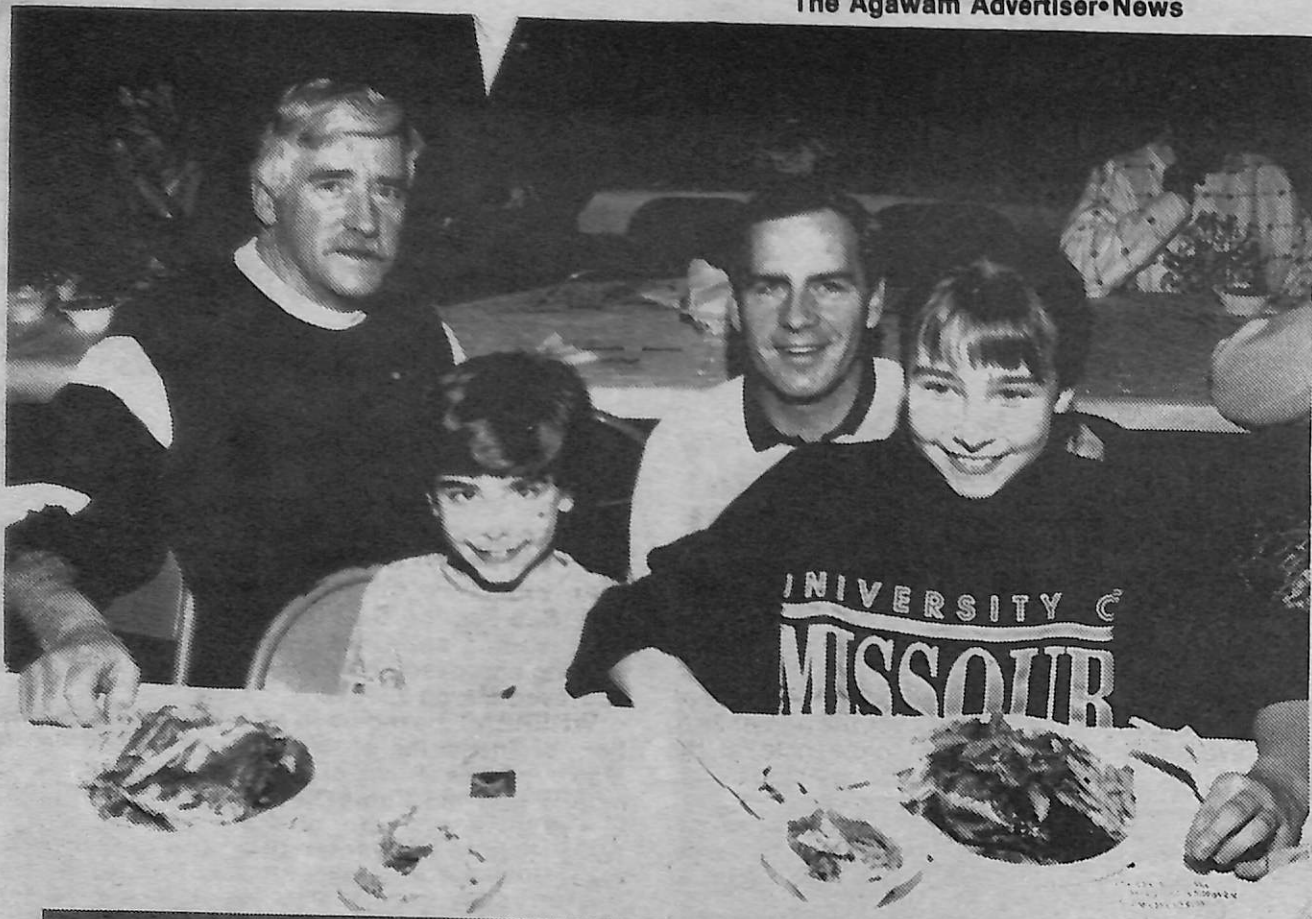
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**MEMBERS OF St. David's Church in Feeding Hills recently held a benefit supper for one of its members, Richard Foley to help towards the purchase of a wheelchair for him. IN TOP PHOTO, enjoying their chicken dinner are Vincent Callahan, Walter Kelley, and Allison & Andrea Callahan. IN PHOTO LEFT, Dick is surrounded by his family - Ian Booth, Alberta Foley, Janet Foley, and Lisa Booth. Advertiser News**

photos by Jack Devine.

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## St. David's Church Raises Wheelchair \$\$\$

St. David's Episcopal Church, 522 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, recently sponsored a benefit supper for one of its members, Mr. Richard Foley of Agawam.

Dick suffers from multiple sclerosis, a neuromuscular disease which afflicts young adults. The parish had recently purchased Dick a wheelchair light enough for his wife, Janet, to handle, and wished to make possible future renovations to their home to provide Dick with greater accessibility.

The supper was held at the Italian Sporting Club on Cooper Street in Agawam, with 180 adults and children in attendance. The Hanna family—Donald, Christine, and young Donald—served as chefs for the chicken and ziti supper, and other members of the parish—including Brenda Callahan, Mary Hixson, Walter and JoAnne Kelley, and Janet Kopyscinski—served the meal.

Vincent Callahan and Paula Tonelli coordinated the sale of tickets, and Ella Czepiel and Stella Colini also assisted.

The parish thanks the Sporting Club, the food retailers, and those who attended the supper, and continues to pray for and support Dick as he battles MS and maintains an active life in our community.

### OLDEST RESIDENT - from Page 1...

As one can only imagine, Mrs. Hudson is, to put it mildly, a walking history book. Her memories range from the turn of the century to her first telephone, to the woman's movement, through both World Wars, and to the incredible technology of the 1980's and 90's.

#### Her Fondest Memory

When asked about her fondest memory, Mrs. Hudson said, "Well, it definitely was not the beginning of my marriage (she was laughing)." Mrs. Hudson fondly remembers her first job on the supervisory board of the school district.

"It was an elected position and this was before the time of the vote (referring to the women's movement). I was only one of six women who were elected by all men. It was quite an honor and I only made \$25 a year."

Mrs. Hudson made it clear that her first job, however, was as a mother and wife. She said, "Times were so different back then. It was slanderous for a woman to work."

Mrs. Hudson is a remarkable, independent, and dignified woman and is considered an inspiration to all who meet her. The staff at Heritage Hall is thrilled to have Mrs. Hudson as one of their residents.

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Norma has been a resident of this community for 21 years.

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### Golden Award Given To Heritage Bank

Heritage Bank received the "Golden Bandid" and "Silver Bandid" Awards for their employees' participation in the 14th Annual Greater Springfield CROP Walk for the Hungry last October.

The "Golden Bandid" Award is given to the organization that raises the most money for the walk. Heritage Bank employees raised a total of \$1,014. The "Silver Bandid" is awarded to the company with the most participants in the walk. Heritage had 20 walkers.

Gloria Hayes, senior vice president at Heritage, joined Barry Briger of WWLP-TV 22, Dan Williams, the popular Morning Mayor of WHYN-AM 560, and Charlie Donovan, the mid-morning radio personality of WHYN-AM 560, as honorary chairpersons of the walk. Ms. Hayes will continue in this role for the 1992 Walk.

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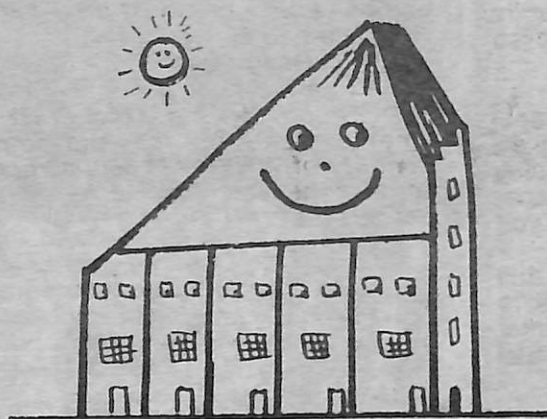
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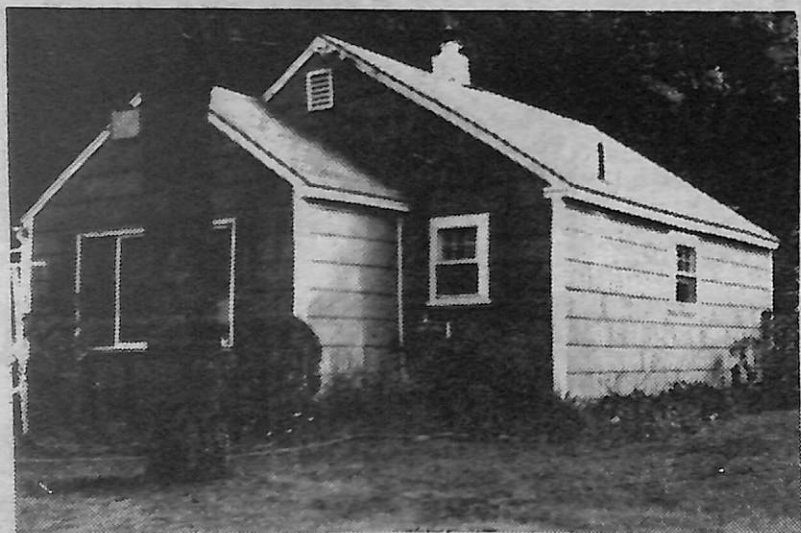
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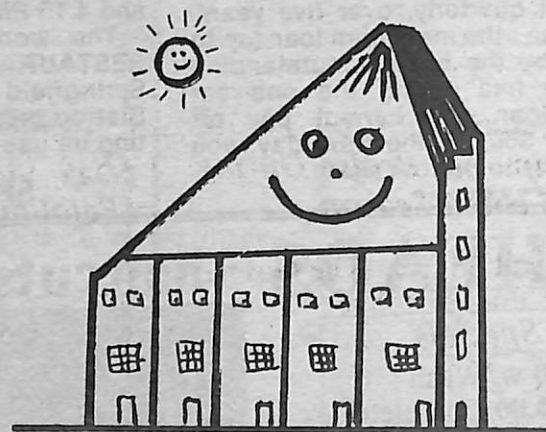
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## Spotlight On Business - continued...



## Common Sense With Your \$\$\$

by Raymond Rose  
Financial/Marketing Consultant  
Feeding Hills

### Taking Money Out Of Your 401(K) Plan

Salary deferred plans/401(K)'s have a unique withdrawal feature that is not available with other retirement plans. Money can be removed from your 401(K) plan in the case of **hardship**.

**CAUTION...**Hardship withdrawals can be very expensive. The funds that you remove from the plan are subject to income tax *and* to a 10% early-withdrawal penalty if you are under the age of 59½. Even though these withdrawals will be expensive, they are a good source of **emergency cash** for people who have nowhere else to turn.

**Loophole...**Any amount of money that you take out to pay deductible medical expenses **are not subject** to the 10% early-withdrawal penalty [IRS Section 72(t)].

#### WHAT CONSTITUTES A HARDSHIP?

Two conditions must be met for a distribution to have been made on account of hardship...

1. It must be because of immediate and heavy financial need of the employee and...

2. It must be necessary to satisfy the need.

The tax regulations mention funeral expenses of a family member as an example of a qualifying expenditure. (The purchase of a camper trailer or a stereo system would not qualify.) The regulations also list certain other expenditures as clearly qualifying for hardship withdrawals.

These are...

\* Medical expenses of the employee or his/her spouse and dependents.

\* Purchase of a principal residence for the employee (excluding mortgage payments)...these monies can be used for the down payment, points and closing costs.

\* Payment of tuition for the next 12 months of post-secondary education for the employee, his spouse, children, or other dependents.

\* Payment to eliminate eviction from the employee's principal residence or foreclosure of a mortgage on the same.

#### FINANCIAL NEED

The regulations show how you can meet the second requirement for the hardship distribution...the funds must satisfy financial need.

\* The withdrawal cannot exceed the amount of the need (plus tax and penalties).

\* You must have withdrawn and borrowed all you can from other retirement plans through your employer.

\* You cannot contribute to the 401(K) or make voluntary contributions to other employer plans for 12 months following a hardship distribution.

\* Your 401(K) contributions in the following year, after the 12 months are up, must be reduced by the amount that you put in for the year of the hardship withdrawal.

The other ways to remove funds from your 401(K) are...retirement...death...disability...termination of the plan...separation from service...borrowing.

Most 401(K) plans have borrowing provisions. You can borrow up to 50% of your account balance, but not more than \$50,000...the loan has to be repaid at least quarterly, over five years, unless it's a home loan...the maximum loan (up to \$50,000) is reduced by the highest outstanding loan balance you've had during the one-year period before the loan...you cannot pay off \$50,000, then borrow \$50,000 the next day...you will have to wait a year to borrow again.

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## Colonial News Ready For Easter



**COLONIAL NEWSROOM**, owned and operated by James & JoAnn Harrington of Feeding Hills, is stocked with fine Russell Stover candies and chocolates for the Easter season, as well as a wide selection of greeting cards. Colonial Newsroom is located on Southwick Street, Feeding Hills Center, in the Colonial Shops (next to Fran's Restaurant). Jim & JoAnn are pictured below. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

#### BITS & PIECES

Last week, my family watched a video recording which they found at the Agawam Public Library—reviewing the proper methods for administering “CPR.” It's one of those videos that every family should watch periodically...it could save a loved one's life.

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**INVESTOR'S BUSINESS DAILY**, a newspaper released Tuesday through Saturday, has an excellent offer...you will receive 10 free issues plus two audio cassette tapes explaining the paper and the stock market...they will arrive to you through the mail.

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I want to remind you about my upcoming seminar/workshop regarding **SELLING YOUR HOME IN TODAY'S MARKETPLACE**. It will take place on Tuesday evening, March 24th, between the hours of 6:45 and 8:45 PM...and another one Saturday, March 28th, between the hours of 2:15 and 4:15 PM.

The workshops will be held at **AMANDA'S RESTAURANT** (the restaurant will be closed), 740 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, near the Police Station (special thanks to Dave Tourville for letting us use his restaurant).

SEE RAYMOND ROSE - Page 19...



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## Spotlight On Business - continued...



## Financial Planning

by Howard A. Dickstein  
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### Your Planner's Credentials: What Do They Mean?

When we go to the doctor's office, we expect to see someone with "M.D." behind his or her name. And when we go to a law office, we expect to deal with someone who has a law degree.

But what about your financial planner? You probably want a planner who has some experience in the industry, or extensive training, or just good common sense. But what about professional designations?

Some financial planners have professional designations, others don't. At this time, there is no federal or state requirement that a person working as a financial planner have a professional degree or designation.

Before we discuss the various designations, we should point out that even if a planner does not have a professional designation, he or she does operate under the jurisdiction of one or more regulatory organizations, and must carry certain licenses, depending on what products and/or services the planner offers to the public. Such regulatory organizations include the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD), and the New York Stock Exchange and state securities and insurance departments.

If you're considering working with a financial planner, it's best to ask that planner what license(s) he or she holds, and ask the planner to explain their significance.

Now, on to the professional designations.

Some financial planners are graduates of the College of Financial Planning in Denver. Graduates of the college study insurance, taxes, retirement, employee benefits and estate planning to earn the right to use the Certified Financial Planner (CFP) designation after their names.

You may want to check to see if your planner has a CFP designation.

Financial planners may also pursue other professional designations, including Certified Life Underwriter (CLU), a designation earned by many insurance professionals, and Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC).

While a designation is important, it should be just one of several considerations when selecting a financial planner. You should determine how long this person has been in the financial services industry, or if this is a relatively new career for them.

Also consider, what kind of educational background do they have that has prepared them to be a financial advisor. You should also determine what kind of training the planner has had—not only at the beginning of his/her career, but recently as well.

You also may want to ask what type of training or information the planner has available to allow he or she to keep up on development in the industry. You should request and receive a list of no less than six to 10 references with whom you can speak to regarding the prospective financial planner and the degree of service provided.

And, in the end, don't forget that you'll be sharing some very personal financial information with your planner—so you also want to make sure you feel comfortable with the planner you select and that they are worthy of your trust.

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The Springfield Chapter of the Business and Professional Women's Club (BPW) will hold its monthly dinner meeting on Tuesday, March 24th, at P.J. Scott's Restaurant in Springfield, at 6:00 p.m.

The public is welcomed. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

The speaker is Laura Bauver of the Massachusetts BPW. Ms. Bauver will speak on "Legislative Issues that Impact You and Me."

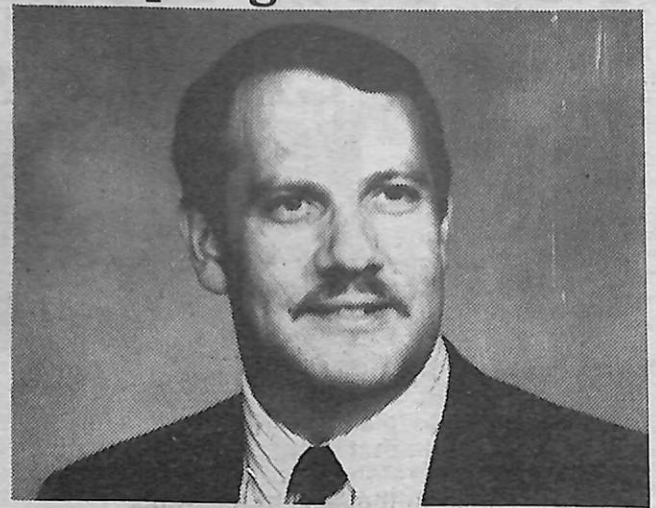
For more information, contact Maria Wilson at 781-8000

### RAYMOND ROSE - from Page 18...

I will discuss several of the most critical areas that are **ALWAYS OVERLOOKED BY ALL HOME SELLERS/AGENCIES**...areas that I firmly believe are essential for a fast sale at top dollar in today's marketplace. Best of all, **It's FREE!**

Tell all your friends about this important workshop. For more information, call me at 786-5241.

## Top Agent Named



DAVE MACWILLIAMS of Feeding Hills was named "Agent of the Month" at Futuristic Real Estate in Feeding Hills. According to Dave, sales were steady through the winter with activity increasing as spring approaches and interest rates remain enticingly below nine percent.

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# For Your Health

## CPR Classes Held At Ag. Police Station



THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION held CPR classes at the Agawam Police Station earlier this month. IN PHOTO LEFT, Harold A. House and Deborah House perform CPR on a mannequin while Bob Mezzetti and Jason Daly do the same on their mannequin. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

## Creating Self-Esteem Open To Public

Dr. Steve Sobel, founder and director of The New England Institute For Stress Management and noted motivational speaker, will be offering two programs open to the public.

The first seminar will take place on Thursday evening, March 26th, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. This seminar is titled "CREATING HIGH SELF-ESTEEM and PERSONAL SUCCESS!" Cost is \$10 per person.

The second seminar will take place on Friday evening, March 27th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and is titled "The Real Power of Laughter, Humor and Daily Positive Attitude." Cost is \$19 per person. 2.4 contact hours awarded for this program.

Both programs take place at the Ramada Hotel in West Springfield. Both programs also allow one person to attend free for every three in your group who pay.

Dr. Sobel will also be personally signing copies of his new book at 6:30 p.m. on both evenings, prior to the seminars.

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For Your Health - continued...

# Managing YOUR STRESS

by Dr. Stephen Sobel  
M.S., S.M.C.



## Dr. Steve Sobel Shares Ideas In Recent Interview

Dr. Steve Sobel, well-known motivational speaker and director of The New England Institute For Stress Management (located in West Springfield), has recently completed his new book "THE GOOD TIMES HANDBOOK—YOUR GUIDE TO POSITIVE LIVING AND AN EXCITING LIFE."

The book can be purchased by calling Dr. Sobel's offices at 785-1259 for an order form.

Dr. Sobel was interviewed recently for *The Agawam Advertiser News*. Here is an excerpt from that interview:

**AAN:** Congratulations on your new book. How long did it take?

**Dr. Sobel:** About five years of joyful and persistent effort. I feel that many will find this unique handbook a great daily reference/reminder to live each day as if it were your last. I am glad to be of such service to people.

**AAN:** What is the book about?

**Dr. Sobel:** Basically, it is a book that contains easy to digest info on how to think positively

(especially when you do not feel like it), and how to create high levels of self-esteem and bring humor and laughter into your life daily. It is a book designed to give you "forward momentum" every day. There is also a chapter on setting and achieving goals.

**AAN:** We have heard that you will be interviewed concerning this book on a few major and nationally viewed television programs. How exciting.

**Dr. Sobel:** I am excited about these occasions because so many people deserve to be happy, and this book can be a great guide.

**AAN:** I am sure we will be following your work and seminars closely. Thanks for your time. Where are you off to now?

**Dr. Sobel:** I will be speaking in Atlantic City. Thanks for your continued support of my work and letting our readers know about the book. Take care.

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### STRESS CHECK: Vital info for AAN readers!

Dr. Sobel will be presenting two upcoming seminars in our area:

\* On **Thursday, March 26th**, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., he will be presenting the seminar "CREATING HIGH SELF-ESTEEM and PERSONAL SUCCESS." Cost is \$10 per person. Call 785-1259 to register—seating is limited. Seminar is at the Ramada in West Springfield.

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(At 6:30 p.m. on both evenings, Dr. Sobel will be autographing copies of his new book. Call to reserve your copy—the books are selling at the discounted price of \$12.95 each [plus tax] at this special autograph session.)

## Dr. Tina D. Ross At Agawam Public Lib.

## Lung Association Can Help With Asthma

Dr. Tina D. Ross, chiropractic physician, will present a lecture on "SITTING ON THE JOB," Wednesday, March 25th, at 7:00 p.m., in the Community Room of the Agawam Public Library.

If you sit during any portion of your job - using computers, typing, writing, drawing, or using the telephone, you need to attend this lecture.

Dr. Ross will discuss ways of avoiding the discomfort that comes from these activities; chronic neck and upper back pain and fatigue, headaches, arm pain and tingling, carpal tunnel, and lower back pain. Find out how you can minimize the dangers of sitting on the job.

This lecture is free and open to the public. Interested persons may register by calling the library at 789-1550.

"Asthma: What Is It?", a program for people of all ages affected by this chronic disease, is being presented on Thursday evening, March 26th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Lung Education Center, 393 Maple Street, Springfield.

Do you know your asthma triggers? Do you know how to manage asthma? Do you have questions about asthma? Get the facts!

This is free and open to the public. For more information, call the American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts at 737-3506.

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## Ag. Residents Urged To Reduce Fat Intake

Agawam residents are urged to eat right during National Nutrition Month by reducing the amount of fat in their diet.

"If you are like most Americans, you are probably consuming a diet relatively high in fat," said Lynn Tubridy, registered dietitian, manager of clinical dietetics at Baystate Medical Center. "If eaten too frequently, however, fats may affect your health."

Diets high in fat can increase the risk of heart disease, cancer, gall bladder problems, and Type II diabetes in older adults. A dense source of calories (nine calories per gram of fat), a high fat diet can also lead to weight gain.

While the average American diet contains about 40 percent calories from fat, the American Heart Association recommends decreasing that number to 30 percent.

For example, if a person normally consumes 2,000 calories per day, the maximum amount of fat intake should be 67 grams each day.

In order to determine the maximum number of grams of fat that you should consume daily, first determine your calorie needs. Depending on activity level, multiply your weight in pounds by the appropriate number of calories (if overweight, subtract 500 calories).

Once you have an estimated number of calories needed each day, multiply the number by .3 (30 percent of calories derived from fat), then divide the number by nine (nine calories/gram of fat) to reach the recommended maximum number of grams.

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**For Your Health - continued...****Maternity Exercise At Baystate Medical**

A month-long maternity exercise program for new and expectant mothers will be offered at Baystate Medical Center beginning Monday, March 30th.

The program, which will meet Mondays and Wednesdays through April 22nd, will be held from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Executive Officers Meeting Room at 759 Chestnut Street, Springfield.

The exercise program is designed for pregnant women and for those who have recently delivered, and will focus on the muscle groups and systems affected by pregnancy.

Women may join at any time during pregnancy or following their postpartum checkup.

"Benefits may include relief from minor discomforts of pregnancy such as lower back pain, and an increase in energy and endurance," said Program Coordinator Convy Stahl. "It's also a great opportunity for women who have recently delivered to get back their pre-pregnancy shape."

The fee for the maternity exercise program is \$30. For more information or to register, call 784-BABY (2229).

**Noble Hospital Helping Families Deal With Care Of Elderly & Disabled**

The Bronson Rehabilitation Center at Noble Hospital is pleased to present "Families Meeting the Challenge of Caregiving," a four-session series devoted to helping families care for frail, elderly or disabled parents or family members while pursuing careers, maintaining relationships and managing their home.

The series will be presented in four Thursday evening sessions scheduled for March 26th, April 2nd, 9th, and 16th from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. in the Bronson Dining Room at Noble Hospital. Participants may choose to attend all or any one of the four sessions.

On Thursday, March 26th, invited guest speakers will address issues pertinent to community health care resources. Speakers include Glorianna Wholly, R.N., Executive Director, and Davida Micheals, R.N., M.S.N. M.Ed., both of Westhills Home Health Care.

Other speakers include Diane Boland, case manager at Highland Valley Elder Services, Sophia Bousquet, Executive Director of the Council on Aging in Westfield, Jami D. Filiant, M.Ed., M.M.H.S. of the Elder Haven Adult Day Care, and Janet Sidello, Admissions Coordinator at Heritage Hall Nursing Home.

Personal care made easier will be the topic of discussion at the second session of the series on Thursday, April 2nd. Speakers include Noble Hospital nutritionist Sarah Ellis, M.S., R.D., Nicholas Ortyl, a pharmacist at Noble, April Weiss, registered nurse at Bronson Rehab, and Lisa Hohol, O.T.R./L., of Bronson Rehab, who will address safety tips for the home.

Attorney Peter Benjamin will be one of the speakers to address financial and legal issues for caregivers at the third session on Thursday, April 9th. In addition, Michele Chmura, M.S.W./L.I.C.S.W., of Bronson Rehab, will address the Health Care Proxy Law; Frank Campbell will address social security issues; and Gail Noe will discuss the SHINE program.

On Thursday, April 16th, Douglas Williams, Psy.D., Director of Neuropsychology at Rehab West and Sheila Martinelli, Coordinator of Alzheimer's Resources, will focus on preventing caregiver burnout.

The Family Caregiver Series is free but registration is necessary. For further information or to register, call Sharon Abdalla, L.S.W., or Michele Chmura, M.S.W./L.I.C.S.W., at 568-2811, extension 466.

**Better Breather Club To Meet March 25th**

On Wednesday, March 25th, the Better Breather Support Group for people with C.O.P.D. (asthma, chronic bronchitis, or emphysema) will meet from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Medical Staff Room of the Joseph Deliso Conference Center at Mercy Hospital, 271 Carew Street, Springfield.

For more information, call the American Lung Association, 737-3506, or the Mercy Hospital Respiratory Department, 781-9100.

**Area Residents Invited To Attend Meeting Of Connecticut Chapter Of Lupus March 29th**

West Hartford: The Lupus Foundation of America, Connecticut Chapter, Inc. will hold its first meeting of the Spring Season on Sunday, March 29th at 1:30 in the Green Auditorium at the University of Connecticut Health Center in Farmington (Exit 39 from I-84), use Academic Entrance (signs posted).

Carol Pfeiffer, Ph.D., Director of Clinical Skills Assessment and Assistant Professor in the

Department of Medicine at the University of Connecticut, will be the moderator of a panel program of Lupus patients and family members, dealing with this chronic disease.

They will discuss coping and related subjects. The audience will also have the opportunity to direct questions to the panel members.

There will be a refreshment and social hour after the meeting.

**PLEASE REMEMBER that photographer Jack Devine needs at least 48 hours notice before he can come up and cover your event.**

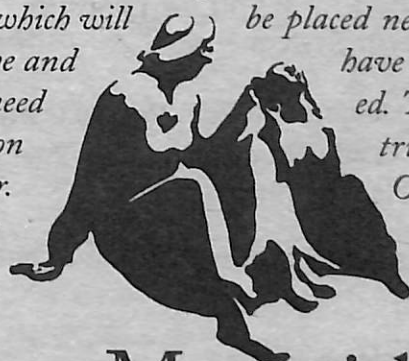
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*The Anne Sullivan Memorial Committee is still \$10,000 short of the \$52,000 needed to bring Mico Kaufman's sculpture "Water" to Feeding Hills. We are planning a bronze plaque which will be placed near the sculpture to thank contributors of \$750 or more. To join the major contributors listed above and on the plaque, a contribution of \$750 or more is needed. This plaque will also be a unique and special way to memorialize a loved one. If you'd like to make a contribution (large or small) or get involved with our fundraising, please contact any committee member. Our address is Post Office Box 537, Feeding Hills, Massachusetts 01030 or you can contact our chairman, Marilyn Curry at 786-1452. Only with your continued support can we raise the funds needed to bring "Water" home to Feeding Hills.*



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# Arts

## This Week At The MOVIES

by Christine Plesyk  
Advertiser News Staff

### —My Cousin Vinny

*My Cousin Vinny* is a far cry from the *Legal Eagle* film and *L.A. Law* and *Civil Wars* of television fame.

Joe Pesci is Vinny, a middle-aged law school graduate who took six years and six tries to pass his bar exams.

Though he's only been practicing law for six weeks, he's the only lawyer in the family and comes to the rescue of his native New York cousin, Billy (Ralph Macchio), and a pessimistic buddy, Stan (Mitchell Whitfield), who are charged with murder in a small southern town.

Sounds serious, but *My Cousin Vinny* is anything but.

Pesci and girlfriend Lisa (Marisa Tomei) arrive in the deep South for his first foray into the courtroom, and his first trial...unaware of dress code, courtroom courtesy and the basics of law like disclosure.

The boys are scared. Pesci's increasingly nervous. And the dapper D.A. Jim Trotter III (Lane Smith) has a slick self-confidence begging to be shattered. Add to the mix a marvelous performance by veteran actor Fred Gwynne as Judge Chamberlain Haller, and the ingredients are all there.

Pesci settles into the investigative process with a vengeance and a complete lack of restful sleep...It seems one hotel is adjacent to the local factory, and another sits beside the railroad with a 4:30 a.m. whistlestop (even the peace of the woods is shattered by a vocal screech owl).

These segments are doled out in measured doses at regular intervals with good timing and pacing, but somehow it amuses while never crossing the line into hilarity.

Director Jonathan Lynn (*Nuns On the Run*) has done better, and Dale Launer (whose credits include the screenwriting for *Ruthless People* and *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*) has a near miss on the hit machine with this one.

*My Cousin Vinny* is witty, wild, and funny...the kind of film to pick up as a second choice, not a prime choice.

### —This Is My Life

If you believe dreams come true, *This Is My Life* may shatter a few illusions with a flip side to even the best of times.

Julie Kavner is Dottie Ingels, a would-be stand-up comedienne whose trademark is polka dots...no dot is too large or too small.

She's a divorcee, mother of two daughters (one introspective, the other precocious), sole heir to an elderly aunt's estate—an estate soon sold to finance a shot at the big time and a Manhattan apartment.

Daughter Erica (Samantha Mathis) is 16, on the brink of womanhood and troubled by her mother's increasing absences and her own burgeoning attraction to a young man at her school.

Daughter Opal (Gaby Hoffmann) is 10, more accepting, less questioning, and equally engaging on screen.

As mom's career skyrockets from the cosmetics counter at Macy's to the best booking in the country, she falls under the management of 'the Moss,' a.k.a. Arnold Moss (Dan Aykroyd), theatrical agent and consummate paper-eater. His partner and Dottie's agent, Claudia Curtis (Carrie Fisher), helps Dottie find the fast track that leaves Erica and Opal in the dust, relegated to lonesome days and nights in an apartment peopled with would-be comics.

Mom's career booms, leaving the girls questioning their place in her life and their own worth, searching for elusive answers in their own misdirected dreams.

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JOE PESCI stars in "My Cousin Vinny" as Vincent Gambini, a lawyer fighting to save two clients who have everything against them, including the fact that Vinny has never been in a courtroom before.

## Exit Seven Players Of Ludlow Presenting "Philadelphia Story" April 3rd - 11th

Exit Seven Players of Ludlow have selected its cast for Phillip Barry's PHILADELPHIA STORY. Directed by Ludlow resident Kathy Young, this sophisticated comedy will play on April 3rd, 4th, 10th, and 11th at 8:00 p.m., in the Chestnut Street Theater, Ludlow.

Heading the cast are Tracy Lord, the mainline beauty who wants to remarry (veteran actress Kristen Anne Ferraro). Other members of the Lord family are the younger sister, Dinah (Tara Cloutier); aristocratic mother, Margaret (Elizabeth Bell); wandering father, Seth (Ken Guerin); the

writing brother, Sandy (Michael Parizo); and the girl-loving, bottom-pinching uncle, Willie (Dick Hamel).

The three men competing for Tracy's attention are Dexter, her former husband (Michael Tenerowicz); George, her scheduled bridegroom (Jonathan Peet-Lubin); and Mike Connor, the challenging reporter (Mike Connors). Tracy's rival for Mike's affection is his partner, Liz (Amy Nyzio).

Since Exit Seven is a community-based theater, any area resident who would like to help with production should call Paul Browning at 467-3206.

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## Cooking Tips For Seniors Who Live By Themselves

by Robert D. Chadbourne  
Advertiser News Contributing Writer

Why use a very sharp knife when preparing food in the kitchen? Well, because a dull knife is sharp enough to cut you, and by having to work harder to use it, chances are it will.

Did you know a "dash" of an ingredient is actually an exact amount? When my mother used to describe using a "dash of something," I always assumed it was some unknown amount known only to my mother and her taste buds. Actually, a dash of a liquid is two or three drops; a dash of a solid is a little less than one-eighth of a teaspoon.

There's a reason for knowing all this stuff and it's provided in a course called COOKING FOR ONE, offered to senior citizens (periodically) by Baystate Medical Center's Peter Savenko, the center's Food Production manager.

### The Spouse That Survives

Ignoring the research on who dies first, and what do people die from, Savenko concentrates on the spouse who survives; especially if the spouse is not the one who normally was the one who did the cooking.

Senior citizens in general tend to become lax in their eating habits when they prepare food just for themselves, but the problem is magnified greatly when that person never did the cooking in the first place.

The first order of business is to keep you from killing yourself. Eggs are currently a big safety issue. There's a big risk as the chicken passes the bacteria to the egg. If you cook the whites until they're very firm, the yolk will have reached a temperature high enough to kill the bacteria.

The freshness of fish is crucial. Fish purchased at a supermarket was first purchased by a fish market that also sells wholesale to stores. Obviously, the fish purchased at a fish market is fresher. Fish should be odorless. If fish smells like fish, IT'S OLD. If it begins to smell like ammonia, it's lethal.

Here's a tip on fish. Since the texture of fish is soft, it is subject to freezer burn. If you freeze fish in a container covered with water you'll never have that problem.

### Shelf Life Of Chicken

The shelf life of chicken in the display case is four days. If it's not selling, the store may cut it up and move it to the frozen case. Thus, if you buy frozen chicken, it should be used quickly.

Also, if you prepare stuffing, cook it in a separate casserole dish. The inside of a chicken or turkey could be described as a bacteria cooking chamber. Hospitals agree that emergency rooms have busier days on the days after Thanksgiving and Christmas (when we grab a piece of leftover turkey or stuffing left out for hours in a warm room).

The point to be made is that nothing you enjoy should be avoided because you will be alone with many leftovers. The remainder of a roast can be beef noodle or vegetable soup, beef burgandy, beef stew, beef stir fry, and beef pot pie. Leftover fish can yield fish chowder, fish stew, fish sandwich, or creamed fish on toast points.

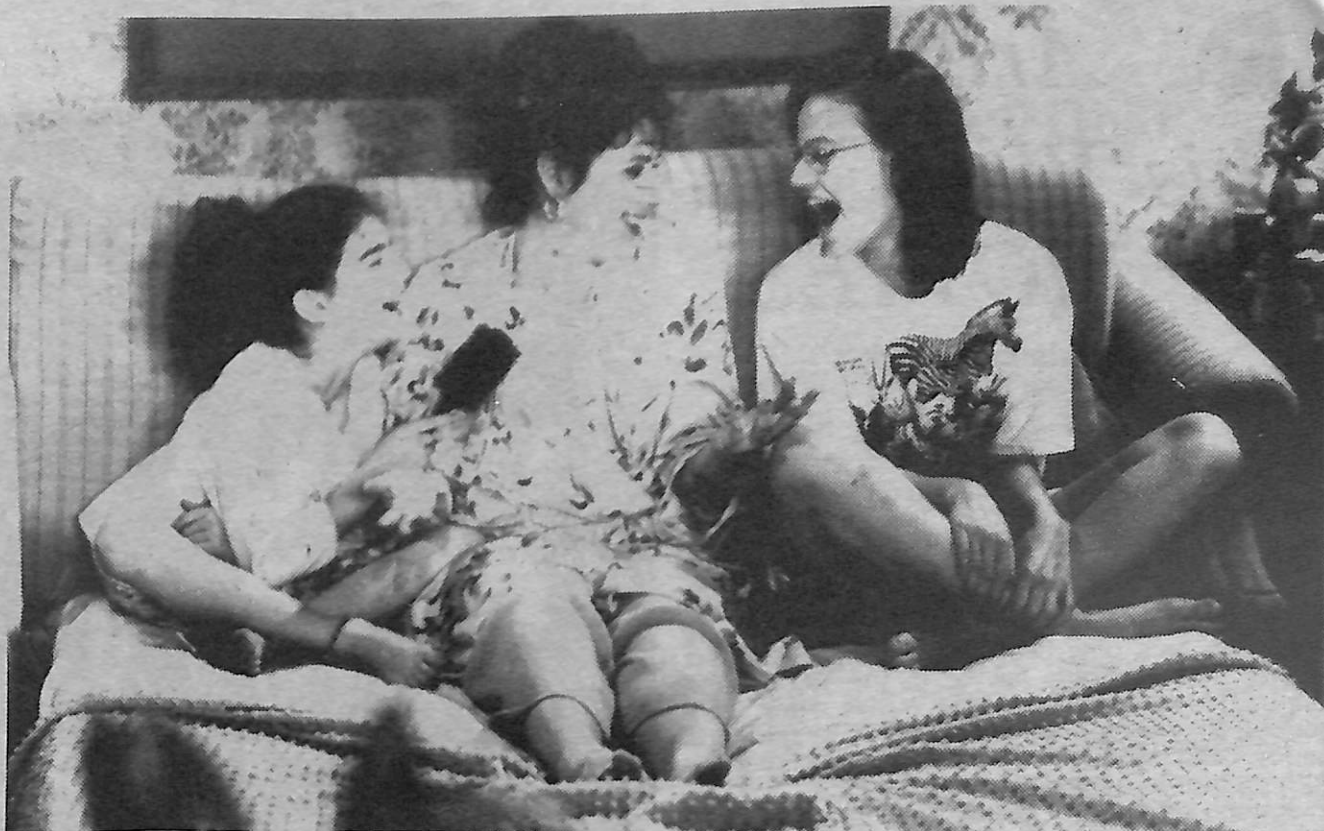
Good tools and their correct usage are essential. And while most good cookbooks discuss this area, Peter Savenko likes THE GOOD HOUSE-KEEPING ILLUSTRATED COOKBOOK best.

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THIS IS MY LIFE is now playing at the Showcase Cinemas in West Springfield.

## Encore Players' Ready "The Nerd"

The Encore Players' production of *The Nerd* will open at the MacDuffie School in Springfield on Thursday, March 19th, at 8:00 p.m., and will continue with 8:00 p.m. performances on March 20th, 21st, 27th, 28th, and a 2:00 p.m. matinee on Sunday, March 29th.

This hilarious Larry Shue contemporary comedy is being directed by Dick Volker, winner of nine Community Theatre Association acting awards, and a member of *The Nerd's* cast.

The talented actors and actresses who comprise *The Nerd* include well-known Pioneer Valley performers who have been frequently seen in area productions.

Steve Henderson (*The Lucky Spot*, *Social Security*) plays "The Nerd," a bumbling character who unexpectedly visits a household party and creates much hilarity. Doug Major (*Bye Bye Birdie*, *Little Shop of Horrors*) plays Willum, a young Indiana architect, and Candy Hill (*Steel Magnolias*, *Come Back to the Five and Dime*, *Jimmy Dean*) plays Willum's girlfriend, Tansy.

Tim O'Brien (*Blithe Spirit*, *Psycho Beach Party*) plays Alex, and Evelyn Holland (*Personals*, *Social Security*) portrays the wife of the businessman, played by Dick Volker. Luke Meginsky plays the mischievous son of Holland and Volker's characters.

Tickets in advance can be obtained at the Golden Peacock Boutique in Springfield; at Sal's Beauty Salon in Agawam; or at the door. Prices are \$7 for general admission, \$6 for seniors and students, and \$5 for the Sunday matinee.

Additional information can be obtained by calling 568-8435.

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Erica begins to think the grass may indeed be greener in the home of the father they never really knew, and the two run away to Albany to find him—finding instead that his new wife is much, much nicer than their dad could ever be.

As the story comes full circle, it picks up much needed steam for an explosive ending.

*This Is My Life* is a directorial effort of Nora Ephron of *When Harry Met Sally* fame, but without the continuum of style and humor that made that earlier film a hit.

*This Is My Life* stumbles, halting through its opening scenes, providing charming moments spliced with absurdities; sentiment mixed with silliness. Kavner doesn't hit her stride until the movie is nearly over, and never convinces us she's the hit the screenwriter and story require her to be.

Fisher catches interest in her supporting role, but Aykroyd is too pudgy, unkept and lackluster to make a credible star-making agent.

The girls steal the show, offering quick images of hurt feelings, bursts of joy, jealousy, insecurity, and the myriad feelings experienced in the process of growing up.

*This Is My Life* is really about their lives and they are what make this show worth seeing.

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### Jean Burns Of Feeding Hills Directing ART Production

After many seasons of taking its shows on the road, the Agawam Repertory Theater (ART) is returning home to Agawam.

The Red Door Theater at the Valley Community Church in Feeding Hills is the new home for the community theater group. ART President Cil Long said that returning to Agawam and becoming a vital part of the community had been a long-held desire of ART.

With the fervent cooperation of the Reverend Robert Murray of the Valley Community Church, the church's former nursery school has been transformed into a theater. Murray's passion for live theater brought him into contact with ART, and with the strong support of Lyle Pearsons of Kit 'N Kaboodle (a children's theater group), the theater conversion began.

ART's inaugural play will be the British sex comedy "Move Over Mrs. Markham," directed by Agawam resident Jean Burns. Show dates are March 28th, 29th, April 2nd, 3rd, and 4th at 8:00 p.m.

For additional information, call Pat Silva at 789-9687.

## Anniversary Ball Slated By Turnverein



THE SPRINGFIELD TURNVEREIN located on Garden Street, Feeding Hills, will hold its 137th Anniversary Ball on Saturday, April 4th. This year a Roast Beef Dinner is being served, and the entertainment will be provided by the Melha Shrine German Band. For further information, contact the club at 786-0924 after 4:00 p.m.

## Vincent Govoni Of Feeding Hills Performing In St. Martha Players' "Music Man"

Vincent Govoni of Feeding Hills is going to be in the St. Martha's Players' production of "The Music Man" by Meredith Wilson.

St. Martha's Players, a local theatre group in Enfield, CT, has been performing Broadway musicals for over 20 years. The shows are held at St. Martha's Church at 214 Brainard Road in Enfield.

Govoni, a funeral director and partner with the Agawam Funeral Home, will be heard singing in the chorus. Performances are March 27th, 28th, April 3rd, 4th, 10th, and 11th at 8:15 p.m., and March 28th and April 4th at 1:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$7 for children under 12 and seniors over 60, and are available by calling (203) 741-2168.

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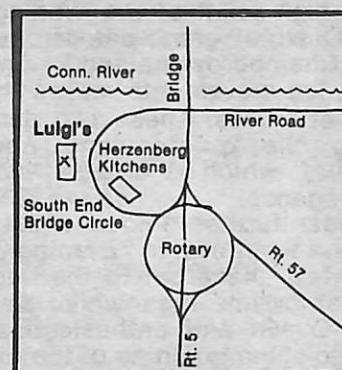
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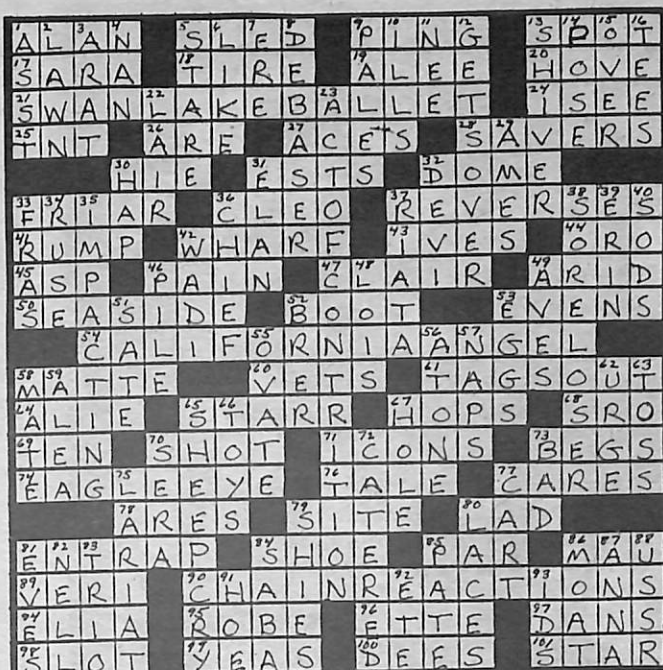
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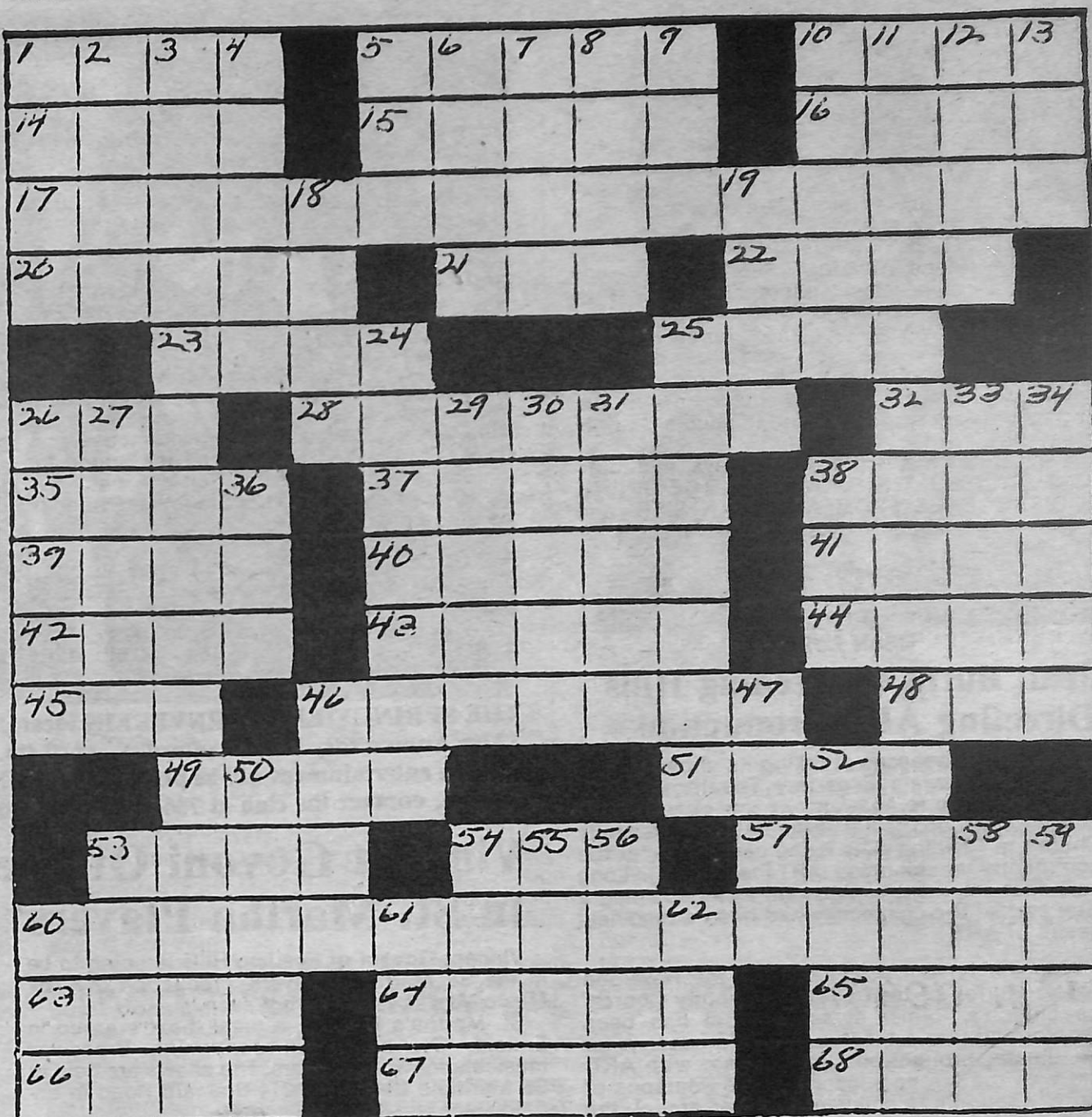
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## Last Week's Solution...



## MEET THE MASTER - by Dick Mastroianni



## Glasnost Ballet In Springfield For March 28th Show

The Glasnost Ballet, featuring principal artists of The Bolshoi Ballet (Moscow), The Kirov Ballet (St. Petersburg), and The Czech National Ballet (Prague), will give a one-night performance on Saturday, March 28th, beginning at 8:00 p.m. at Symphony Hall in downtown Springfield.

The performance will showcase 12 international gold medalists in the greatest moments from "Swan Lake," "Giselle," "Don Quixote," "Romeo & Juliet," "Sleeping Beauty," and more.

Tickets, which go for \$15.50, \$19.50, and \$25.00, can be ordered by calling Ticketmaster, 800-382-8080; the Glasnost office, 800-745-1733; or the Symphony Hall box office, 413-787-6600.

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The Glasnost Ballet's one-night performance in Springfield is the place to see Russian ballet dancers in all their glory as a technically strong and dramatically viable dance company.

The high point of the evening is the dashing "Don Quixote" grand pas de deux danced by Tatyana Chernobrovkina and Vadim Bondar, whose strong leg movements makes their performance seem effortless. These two dancers also shine during the quieter and equally charming "Giselle," which is charged with classic poise and elegance.

Bondar further shines with another partner, Svetlana Smirnova, in "Evening Dance," a romantic fantasy piece set to the music of Schubert. Chernobrovkina, meanwhile, also dances a fine Swan Queen and enthusiastically conveys the distinguishing qualities of the role.

Other performers who'll certainly be memorable during this evening of dance are Alexei Malykin, a tall young dancer of the Aleksandr Goudonov type; Margarita Kullick and Vladimir Kim, whose fleet-footed and light-hearted skills accentuate "Harlequinade" and "Satanella"; Maria Ivanova and Andrei Glazheider, who display much grace and facility during "La Sylphide" and Petipa's "Grand Pas Classique"; and Jana Kurova and Stanislav Fetcho, who provide a disciplined kind of charm to both the classic "La Peri" and the modern "Ur."

## ACROSS

- 1 Prefix for ton
- 5 TV's F—
- 10 Newts
- 14 Skating maneuver
- 15 French income
- 16 Part of Q.E.D.
- 17 Famous British admiral
- 20 Riser
- 21 Detective
- 22 One is Essen
- 23 Pinky and Peggy
- 25 Onion relative
- 26 Toro's excitable color
- 28 Used a seal
- 32 Droop
- 35 Landed
- 37 Greek marketplace
- 38 Pitcher

## DOWN

- 39 Author Grey
- 40 Arrested - 2 words
- 41 Morass
- 42 Great Barrier Island
- 43 Just a tinge
- 44 Army group
- 45 Kin to an ump
- 46 Last course
- 48 Teacher's national org.
- 49 Winglike
- 51 Ballesteros
- 53 Mine cart
- 54 Cleo's slayer
- 57 Showed again
- 60 Wife of Louis XVI
- 63 Algerian port
- 64 Severe in manner
- 65 Curia tribunal
- 66 "— Mable"
- 67 Axed
- 68 Break in two

## DOWN

- 1 Church service
- 2 The way out
- 3 American soprano
- 4 "What's it all about" guy
- 5 Refrain syllable
- 6 Lease
- 7 Fairy-tale opener
- 8 Of the ear
- 9 Footlike part
- 10 Scary
- 11 "Katzenjammer Kids" cartoonist
- 12 Receipts (slang)
- 13 Holy woman
- 18 "Iron Horse" lines
- 19 Act
- 24 Automobile part
- 25 Almost, in horse-shoes
- 26 Shaving tool

- 27 Please greatly
- 29 Culture mediums
- 30 Actress Freeman et al
- 31 Scary Vincent
- 33 Eagle's nest
- 34 Actress Garbo
- 36 Afternoon event
- 38 Flightless bird
- 46 Notre —
- 47 Coastal bird
- 50 "Mule Train" singer
- 52 Changes course
- 53 Biblical weed
- 54 Pot builder
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# StageWest Presenting Comedy, "The Cocktail Hour" To End Season

StageWest, the region's resident professional theatre company, will present THE COCKTAIL HOUR, a comedy by A.R. Gurney, as the final presentation of its Silver Anniversary Season. THE COCKTAIL HOUR will be presented at the theatre company from March 25th through April 19 at Columbus Center, downtown Springfield. The production is sponsored by MassMutual Life Insurance Company.

THE COCKTAIL HOUR had its world premiere at the Old Globe Theatre in San Diego in 1988 when it received the "Outstanding New Play Award" from the San Diego Theatre Critics Circle. The play involves a wealthy family of four - Bradley and his wife, Ann, and their children, John and Nina. During the household cocktail hour, John, a promising playwright, informs his very proper family that they are the subject of his latest play.

A.R. Gurney has written many plays, including LOVE LETTERS, THE SNOW BALL, THE DINING ROOM, SCENES FROM AMERICAN LIFE, and THE MIDDLE AGES. He has won many awards for this play.

## Directed By Eric Hill

THE COCKTAIL HOUR is being directed by StageWest's Artistic Director, Eric Hill. Hill has directed many plays at StageWest, including the critically acclaimed HAMLET, THE IMMIGRANT, SUDDENLY LAST SUMMER and VISIONS OF AN ANCIENT DREAMER.

Playing the role of Bradley is Robert Blackburn. He was most recently seen at StageWest as Scrooge in the 1988 version of A CHRISTMAS CAROL. Film and television roles have included Chief Justice Virson on SEPARATE BUT EQUAL and Sam Fletcher on LOVING.

StageWest newcomer Mary Jaspersen plays the role of Ann, Bradley's wife. Besides many appearances on stage, her television credits include ANOTHER WORLD, AS THE WORLD TURNS, ONE

LIFE TO LIVE, and ALL MY CHILDREN.

Returning to StageWest to play John is Terrence Caza. He appeared in BETRAYAL at StageWest in 1989. Besides his many theatre credits, which included the same role as John in THE COCKTAIL HOUR at both the Arizona Theatre Company and the Peterborough Players, he has been seen on ALL MY CHILDREN and ONE LIFE TO LIVE.

StageWest favorite Kimberly King returns after several seasons to play Nina. Besides her theatre credits, she co-wrote and starred in the PBS Drama PROMISES and has been seen in many commercials.

The set is being designed by Keith Henery. The costumes are being designed by resident designer Polly Byers. Jeff Hill is designing the lighting. The sound design is by resident designer David A. Stang. He has designed the sound for every StageWest production for the past five years. Bruce Resnik, another StageWest veteran, is the stage manager.

## Many Dates Available

THE COCKTAIL HOUR will be staged Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday at 7:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday at 8:00 p.m.; and matinees at 2:00 on Wednesday, April 8th, Saturday, April 18th, and Sundays, March 29th, April 5th, 12th, and 19th. There is plenty of convenient parking available in the Columbus Center Parking Garage above the theatre.

For more information about StageWest's production of THE COCKTAIL HOUR or to purchase tickets, which range in price from \$10 to \$28 (depending on the night and the seat location), contact StageWest's Box Office at 781-2340, between noontime and 7:00 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday. Student, senior citizen, and subscriber discounts are available. Mastercard and Visa are accepted.

## Agawam Poet...

### A New Little Angel

*After the sandman came last night,  
There came an angel robed in white;  
And when your baby began to cry,  
She hushed him with a lullaby;*

*Then she took him to see the moon,  
And promised to bring him back very soon;  
But when she took him to heaven to play,  
God wanted your little baby to stay;*

*The wee little angels took his hand,  
And led him into God's Babyland;  
They had such fun, and loved him so,  
They pleaded with him, not to go;*

*He wants you to know, he's not far away,  
He's visiting God, and he wants to stay;  
He hopes that you will understand,  
For Jesus is holding his tiny hand.*

Agnes R. Neylon Smith

WRITER'S NOTE: I wrote this age 15 for a heart-broken couple who had lost their baby. They said it gave them solace. Maybe it will be of some comfort to others who are grieving.

## Auditions Slated For Riverside Park

Riverside Park Entertainment Department has announced its schedule for auditions for dancers, actors, puppeteers and street entertainers for part-time Spring and full-time Summer employment.

Auditions will be held on Saturday, March 21st, at 11:00 a.m., 380 Union Street, West Springfield.

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##### Plum Spread \*

1/2 cup Kikkoman Stir-Fry Sauce  
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Vegetable oil  
2 eggs beaten  
2 stalks celery, diced  
1 medium carrot, diced  
1 small onion, diced  
2 ounces fresh mushrooms, coarsely chopped  
6 (8-inch) flour tortillas, warmed  
3 cups finely shredded lettuce

Prepare Plum Spread; set aside. Combine stir-fry sauce and garlic; coat pork with 1 Tbsp. of mixture and let stand 10 minutes. Meanwhile, heat 1/2 teaspoon oil in hot wok or large skillet over medium-high heat. Pour in eggs and scramble.

Heat 1 Tbsp. oil in same pan. Add pork and stir-fry 3 minutes; remove. Heat 1 Tbsp. oil. Add next 4 ingredients; stir-fry 4 minutes. Return eggs, pork, and stir-fry mixture; cook, stirring, until meat and vegetables are coated with sauce.

Spread 1 Tbsp. Plum Spread on each tortilla; top with desired amount of lettuce and pork mixture and wrap to enclose. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

\* **Plum Spread:** Combine 1/4 cup plum jam, 2 Tbsp. Kikkoman Stir-Fry Sauce and 1/2 teaspoon distilled white vinegar in small saucepan. Cook, stirring, over medium-high heat until mixture boils and is smooth.

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### Go Bananas With A Fruit Parfait

When it comes to dessert, go bananas with this light, easy Banana Chocolate Mousse Parfait.

#### BANANA CHOCOLATE MOUSSE PARFAIT

1/4 cup boiling water  
1/2 cup semisweet chocolate chips  
2 Dole Bananas (1 extra-ripe, 1 firm)  
1/4 cup brown sugar, packed  
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1 1/4 cups frozen whipped topping, thawed  
1/2 cup fresh or frozen raspberries

• Pour boiling water over chocolate chips; stir until smooth.

• In blender, puree extra-ripe banana, brown sugar, vanilla, and melted chocolate. Blend until smooth. Fold in whipped topping.

• Spoon half of mousse into 4 parfait or wine glasses. Slice remaining firm banana over mousse in glasses. Spoon remaining mousse over bananas. Chill at least 30 minutes.

• Top with raspberries and additional sliced banana if desired. Serves 4.

Per Serving: 330 calories, 2 g protein, 16 g fat (11 g sat.), 50 g carbohydrate, 11 mg sodium, no cholesterol.

Prep Time: 15 minutes; Chill time: 30 minutes.

## Kids' Clown Contest At The Home Show

Clownish behavior is not only permitted for youngsters at HOME SHOW '92, "The Original Western Mass. Home Show, it is encouraged in the interest of family fun.

HOME SHOW '92 will run Tuesday, March 24th through Sunday, March 29th, at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield. In its 39th year, the "Original" HOME SHOW is New England's biggest annual home expo.

This year the sponsors of the HOME SHOW, WPKX-FM, and a colorful collection of Shriner Clowns are searching for a few good clowns with original clown routines to star at HOME SHOW '92 and shine in the Shrine Circus Parade and "under the big top" on opening night of the circus.

Children 12 and under are invited to HOME SHOW '92 to compete for Best Clown honors at 4:30 p.m. on three days, Wednesday, March 25th through Friday, March 27th. Children will compete in three age categories - less than six years, six to eight years, and nine to 12 years-old, performing a two to three minute clown routine for the judges.

Costumed children and one adult per child will be admitted to HOME SHOW '92 free of charge prior to 4:30 p.m. The performers must be accompanied by an adult age 18 or older in order to participate.

#### Judged On Several Criteria

All clown participants will be judged on the originality, design, and execution of both their costume and act. After performing his or her routine, each contestant and parent will receive a pair of tickets to the upcoming Shrine Circus. Additional contestants with the same adult will receive a single ticket.

The Best Clown winners in all age groups from the daily contests will return at 3:30 p.m., Saturday, March 28th, to participate in the Grand Prize Contest, also held in Home Town, USA. Each contestant will perform a four to five minute routine. One contestant in each age category will be named a Grand Prize Clown.

The three Grand Prize winners will each be awarded a great selection of prizes, and will have the privilege of leading the Shrine Circus Parade. All Grand Prize contestant will be invited to march in the parade which kicks-off the Shrine Circus' 1992 engagement at the Eastern States Coliseum (at the end of May).

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by Edlith LaFrancis  
town historian

## Ag. Water Company

In 1915, Mrs. Grace Goodhue Huntington sold the Agawam Water Company which was established in 1877, to Charles W. Hull. This included 28 acres of land between Rowley Street and Suffield Street (where the source of water was located), and all rights to construct and maintain dams, repair pipes, to enter upon land for such construction and repair, and all rights to springs, pipes, and reservoirs.

Charles Hull kept this for about two years and sold it to Preston Worden. Even though pipes had been laid and connected to the Springfield Water System, many people in Agawam Center continued to use the old supply and did not connect with the new at once.

At the end of four years, Mr. Worden sold the "5 acre lot" on which the best of the springs was

located (to the Strathmore Paper Company). The quality of the water had been found especially good for paper making. He also sold to the company a quarter of an acre of the original Leonard land on Springfield Street hill.

The Strathmore Paper Company built a pumping station there, between the road and the parking lot (which was still in use when this article first was published in 1962). The remainder of the land was sold to Longo and Buoniconti of Rowley Street.

### Keep One Spring For Own Use

Mr. Worden kept one spring for his own use. It lay housed by trees in a natural bowl north of the five acre lot and supplied the Worden houses at the corner of Springfield & Suffield Streets.

When these houses finally connected to the new system, the old pipe was turned into the brook which flowed under Springfield Street into the river. Good drinking water was available from this pipe during the winter and summer. Children had the habit of stopping there on their way home from school.

A prospective buyer, testing the 50 acre meadow land, broke the pipe. Thus ends the story of the Agawam Water Company. The springs, of course, do not know this! The ones not used by the paper company continue to gurgle cheerfully from the earth and soak into the shopping center (as of this writing 30 years ago).

## Free Seminar...How To Sell Your House ...Coming Soon

Raymond Rose, a financial and marketing consultant with The Kenwood Group, will be offering a **FREE** seminar entitled **THE SECRETS OF HOW TO MARKET AND SELL YOUR HOUSE...NOW!**

He will be conducting two workshops...one will be on Tuesday evening, March 24th, between the hours of 6:45 and 8:45 PM...and another one Saturday, March 28th, between the hours of 2:15 and 4:15 p.m.

The workshops will be held at **AMANDA'S RESTAURANT** (the restaurant will be closed), 740 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, near the Police Station.

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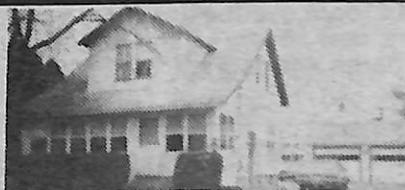
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NANCY "Rainbow" SHAER of Feeding Hills will be autographing her new children's book, "Billy Frog Adventures - The Goods-Yard," at the Western Mass. Home Show March 24th to March 29th.

## Nancy Shaer To Ink Book At Home Show

Nancy "Rainbow" Shaer of Feeding Hills, a native American of Cherokee heritage, shares the spirituality and her culture through gardening, speaking to clubs, schools, organizations, and now through her recently published children's book, "BILLY FROG ADVENTURES - THE GOODS-YARD."

"Rainbow" will be at the upcoming Western Mass. Home Show 1992, slated for March 24th to March 29th, in The Better Living Center of the Eastern States Exposition. She will be autographing her new book which is available in many local stores, including White House Nursery (after April 7th in Southwick); Eagle Dancer Gallery of Agawam; Johnson's Bookstore, downtown Springfield; Odyssey Bookshop, South Hadley; and Beyond Words Bookshop, Northampton.

As vice-president of White House Nursery Gardening Center in Southwick, this helps "Rainbow" maintain her closeness with nature as the Cherokee were a farming people.

She says of her new children's book, "You may think of BILLY FROG ADVENTURES as a children's fairy tale, but it is filled with spiritual wisdom and you must be seeking to discover the symbolisms openly-hidden within the short story."



FAMOUS SAXOPHONE SOLOIST Lynn Klock will perform a benefit concert on March 31st in the Agawam High auditorium beginning at 7:30 p.m.

## Famous Saxophone Solist Lynn Klock In Benefit Concert At AHS Auditorium

The Agawam High School Music Department will feature both the Concert Band and Jazz Band in a Scholarship Benefit Concert, Tuesday, March 31st, at 7:30 p.m.

Special guests at this concert will be saxophone soloist Lynn Klock. He is in demand as a soloist and recitalist throughout the United States and beyond. He has toured as a soloist in the British and American Virgin Islands, and has the distinction of being the first saxophonist to be presented at the Warsaw Philharmonic Recital Series in Poland.

He has been a soloist with many important symphony orchestras, including the Springfield Symphony, as well as many prestigious performing groups in the cities of Boston, New York, Washington, and Philadelphia. He has just returned from performances at an International Saxophone Conference in Canterbury, England,

where he was the only saxophonist invited from the United States.

He received critical acclaim from THE NEW YORK TIMES in his New York debut at Carnegie Recital Hall.

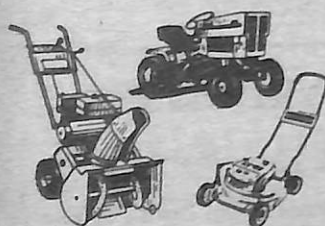
Klock is currently associate professor of saxophone at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and is the saxophonist and bass clarinetist with the Springfield Symphony Orchestra. He has taught saxophone at many prestigious institutions. He is a graduate of the Interlochen Arts Academy and the University of Michigan.

Klock can be heard on CRI, Mark, Orion, and Open Loop Records. His third solo album was just released - on CD for Open Loop Records.

Tickets for this concert are available from any AHS Band member or by calling the Agawam High School Music Department, 789-1400, extension 410.

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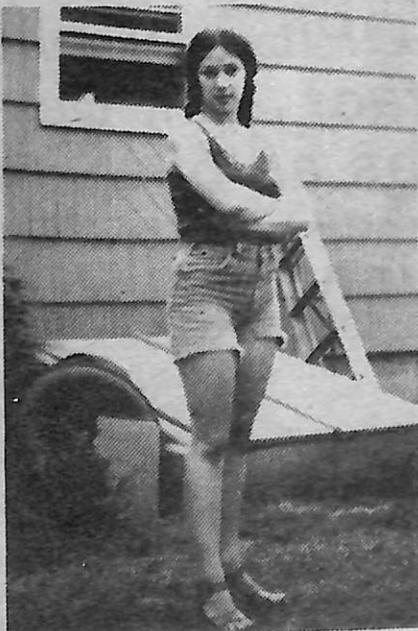
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## Education

### Cuckoo's Nest Coming To AHS March 26-27; Theatre Students Star

by Irls Copson  
School Dept. Editor

Agawam High School will present the powerful, unforgettable *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* by Ken Kesey in a two-act play coming to the stage on Thursday, March 26th, and Friday, March 27th, with a 7:30 p.m. curtain.

Under the direction of AHS faculty member Margo Poulin, casting began in November and players were selected from students in her high ability English class and Theatre I and II classes.

"With the economy so poor, ticket prices have been lowered to \$2 for students and \$3 for adults," said Mrs. Poulin (hoping audiences of all ages will "flock" to the play).

AHS junior Nick Langone plays Randall P. McMurphy, a fun-loving rebel who's placed in a state mental hospital somewhere in the Pacific Northwest not so long ago. McMurphy has feigned insanity at a penal farm for the opportunity to soften his workload.

However, the gambling Irishman gets more than he bargained for when he is placed in the sterile ward of Nurse Ratched, played by Lana Quintal.

Dr. Spivey (Tom Wlaschiha), Nurse Fliinn (Florence Laly), a technician (Tracy Bruyette), Aide Warren (Kevin Innarelli), Aide Williams (Kurt Shouse), and Aide Turkle (Aaron Lajeunesse) stand ready to quiet even the most feeble insurrection in this "citadel of discipline."

Nurse Ratched's patients: Dale Harding (Steve Lewis), Billy Bibbit (Mike Leary), Scanlon (Scott Dintzner), Cheswick (Christian Paluck), Martini (Matt Norman), and Ruckly (Derek Bjorklund) have long ago given up the struggle to assert themselves. They are "voluntary" patients of the ward.

There are two schizophrenic patients played by Josh Tundryn and Vinnie Russo that wander aimlessly in a catatonic state, but are included in the daily regiment of medication issued by the staff.

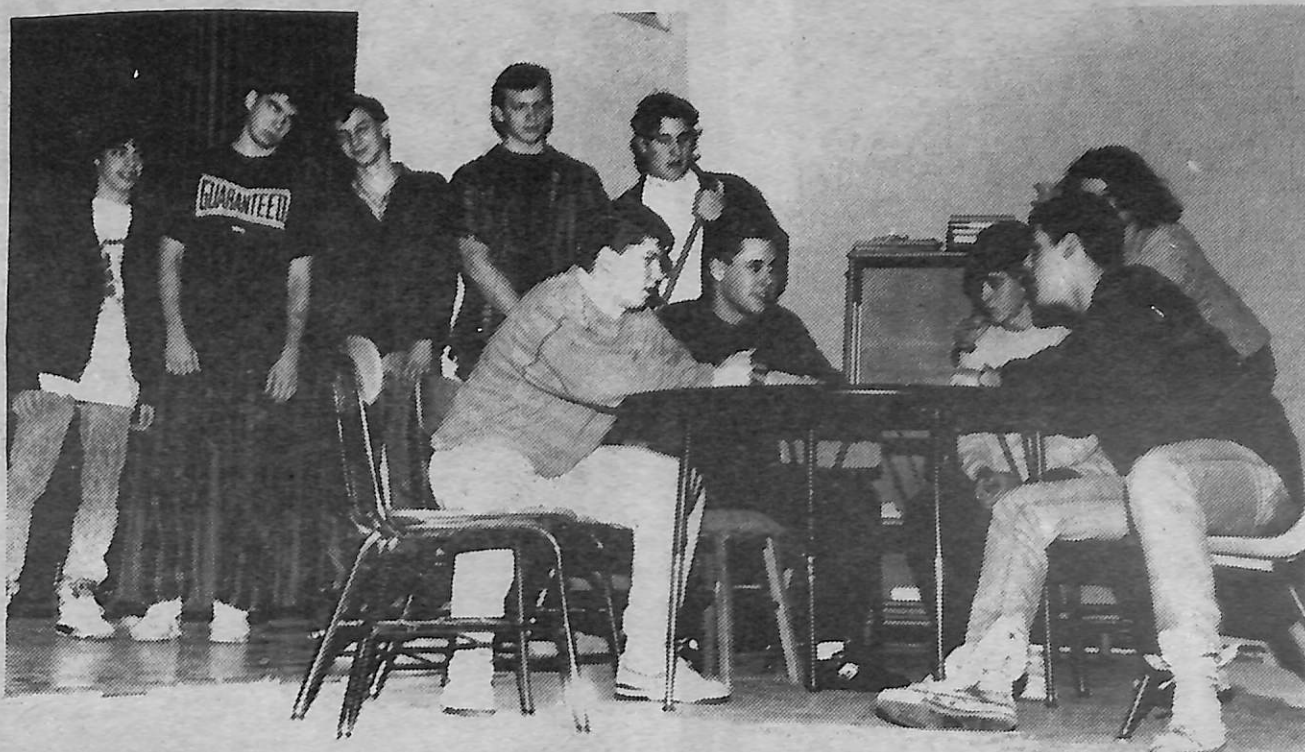
Then there is the character Chief Bromden (Dana Fuller) who seems to be uncommunicative, yet becomes increasingly attached to the life-loving McMurphy.

McMurphy challenges Nurse Ratched's dictatorship and rallies the other patients around him. He promotes gambling in the ward and smuggles in alcohol and some women: Candy Starr (Jillian Ofcarcik), Sandy (Lisa Dialessi), and Mandy (Shannon Hogan).

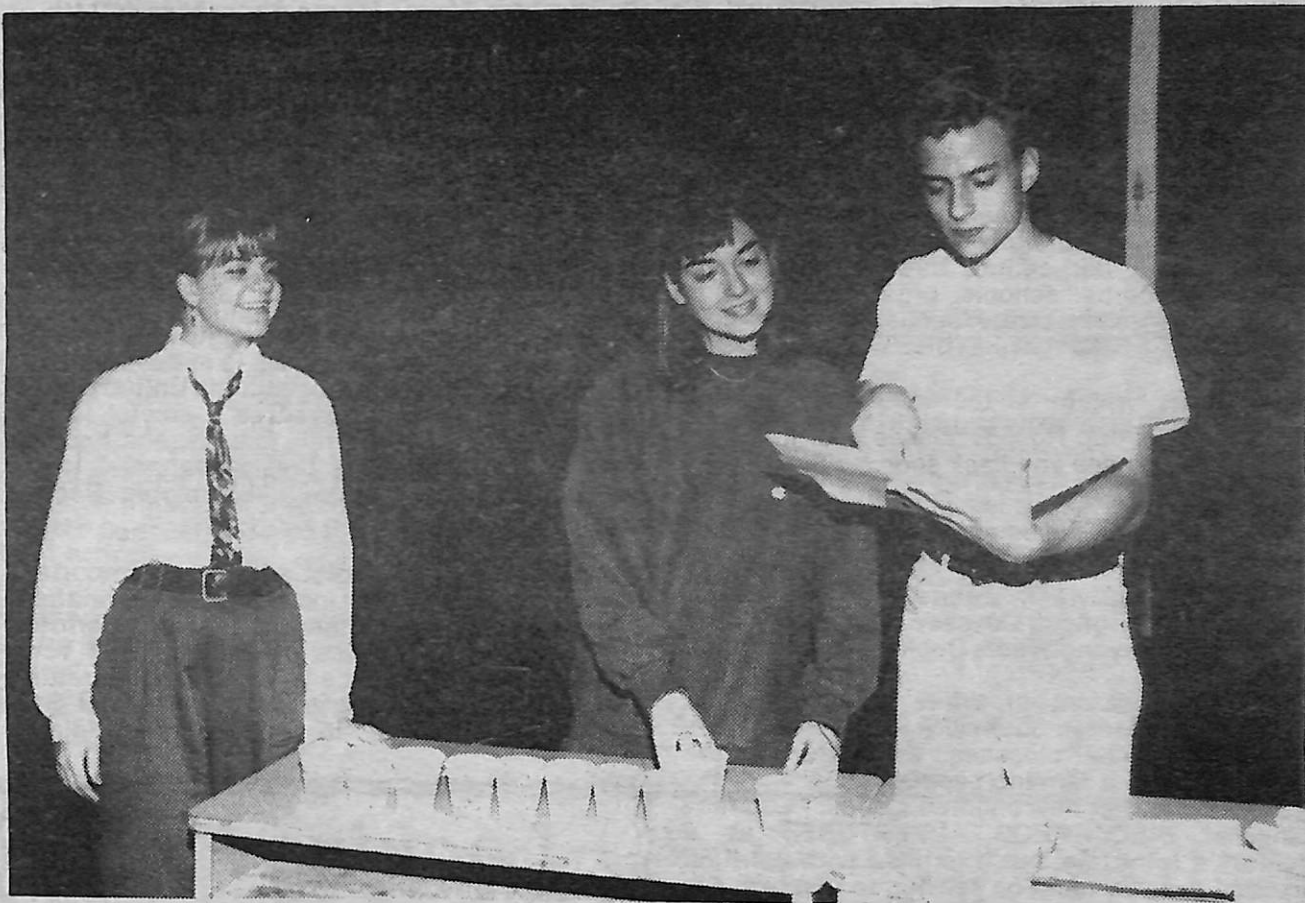
He even coerces Aide Turkle into assisting him to defy Nurse Ratched's rules.

Although Dr. Spivey befriends McMurphy, he is resigned to the god-like power of Nurse Ratched, who always gets her way. If medication fails to cause submission, shock therapy is used, and the ultimate control factor is the nightmarish lobotomy.

McMurphy takes bets on the outcome of his contest against Nurse Ratched, but the sport soon develops into a grim struggle for the minds and hearts of the ward's men in an all-out war.



**CAST MEMBERS OF "One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest" rehearse scenes from their upcoming production in the Agawam High School auditorium. The play will be staged Thursday, March 26th and Friday, March 27th. Tickets are now on sale. Tickets are \$2 for students and \$3 for adults. Tickets can be obtained at the door. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.**



Stephanie Mason is the stage manager, and former AHS graduate John Maillox will handle lighting. Players Tom Wlaschiha (Germany) and Florence Laly (France) are both exchange students at AHS this year.

Tom said, "This is the first time I have had theatre. We only had academic requirements in

Germany. I really enjoy it and hope to start theatre college in September."

Jillian Ofcarcik, also fairly new to AHS, added, "I've had theatre classes before, but I've learned so much more from Mrs. Poulin. We are definitely going to be proud when this show hits the stage."

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## Girl Scout Chatter

### ROBINSON PARK BROWNIE TROOP 543

The girls have been having another busy year. They have been earning try-it badges, selling girl scout cookies, writing letters and sending cards to residents of Heritage Hall nursing home, making crafts, and preparing to fly up and bridge to junior girl scouts.

We are looking forward to the Rollaway unit event and to taking our yearly troop trip to camping again at Bonnie Brae.

We sincerely wish to thank our volunteers who help out at our weekly meetings, and we wish to thank everyone who brought girl scout cookies.

### BROWNIE TROOP 564

We celebrated the girl scouts' 80th birthday on March 11th. We invited Daisy Troop 567 to join our meeting. We opened with a flag ceremony, did a craft, shared some special songs, and ended with a birthday celebration.

It was exciting to be with the Daisies. We also had a junior girl scout visit for a part of the meeting. It was a great party, and we were happy to be a part of the 80th birthday.

A special note to Sue Meunier (public relations representative for the Agawam girl scouts and coordinator of this column):

The Agawam girl scouts wish to congratulate you and your family on the birth of your beautiful baby boy—Michael, born January 12th, weighing seven pounds, eight ounces, and measuring 20½ inches long.

We extend our best wishes to all of you. We do so appreciate the work you do coordinating the news from all the girl scout troops in town into this column format.

Brownie Troop No. 539 misses your leadership and hopes to see you back soon.

Many thanks to four area churches that sponsor girl scout troops:

\* Feeding Hills Congregational Church—Junior No. 558, No. 551, and Cadette No. 545.

\* Agawam Congregational Church—Junior No.



**BROWNIE TROOP 539** had a blast bumper bowling recently. Troop leaders said they may have to make this a yearly event.

565 and Brownie No. 561.

\* Valley Community Church—Junior No. 559.

\* St. Theresa's Church—Junior No. 547.

We'd also like to thank the Agawam School Department, which so generously lets us use the schools in the afternoons for so many troop meetings; and St. David's Episcopal Church, which lets us use their facilities for our monthly leader's meetings.

From all the local girl scouts in town ... a warm and sincere thank you!

### NEWS & NOTES

The girl scouts will be delivering your cookie orders. We thank all those who brought, sold, and families and friends who donated their time to make this event possible.

Girl Scout Sunday was a great success. Thanks

to Nancy Palmer and Chris Demetron for planning a successful event.

We appreciate Sacred Heart Church and the Senior Center for being so accommodating. We had a wonderful turnout enjoyed by all.

Remember the Rollaway part scheduled for Monday, March 23rd, between 6:00 and 9:00 p.m. This is for all girl scouts in town and their families to celebrate the Agawam girl scouts' annual birthday bash.

It will cost only \$1 for girl scouts and their family members. Come to the Agawam Rollaway and make it a fun family night to remember.

(For future "Girl Scout Chatter" columns, all girl scout troops in Agawam and Feeding Hills are encouraged to send news articles and items of interest to Susan Meunier, 104 Franklin Street, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030.)

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## AHS Band & Colorguard Hold Banquet



THE AGAWAM HIGH BAND & COLORGUARD held its Annual Banquet earlier this month in the school's cafeteria. IN TOP PHOTO, Marching Mohawks' members pictured with the various awards won by the group are Jessica Liptak, Sharon Ziegert, Amyanne Tyrell, Wayne Ball. IN PHOTO BELOW, Band Parents officers include, from left - Darlene Wage, treasurer; Gail Brittain, vice-president; Janine Bryant, vice-president; Scott Thomson, band director; Dee Ziegert, secretary; and Ted Zern, president. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devie.



## "Simply Sharing" Theme Of Teachers' In-Service Day

by Iris Copson  
School Dept. Editor

Agawam Public School teachers will participate in an in-service day this Friday, March 20th, entitled "Simply Sharing." Meetings with facilitators will be organized at various locations in the schools for grade levels and specialties.

At Clark School, Teresa Urbinati will run an early childhood and pre-kindergarten workshop, while Georgene Knight will discuss kindergarten materials at Granger School. Also at Granger, Michelle Shepard will facilitate a seminar on grade four.

At Robinson Park School, Sue Avondo (grade one), Kathy Breuninger (grade two), and Kathy Camara (grade three) will conduct workshops. Linda Ulrick will run the grade five session at Middle School, while Phyllis Ferrari will discuss grade six.

Thais Wright will meet with art teachers in her room, while Linda Orr and remedial reading teachers meet in the library to discuss Chapter 1 at Robinson.

Music teachers are invited to attend a conference in Waltham for the afternoon, and Louise Flak will hold a seminar for speech, resource rooms, and D.L.C. instructors at Phelps School.

Darlene Woolson will meet with home/school adjustment counselors, guidance personnel, and school psychologists in her room at Phelps.

Gail Dion will head the grade seven discussion at Agawam Junior High School, while Jeanne Trinquie facilitates the group on grade eight. Programmers will come together in the special education office, and Margaret Shinkel will meet with home economics teachers from the Middle, Junior, and Senior High Schools.

Thomas Collins will facilitate a workshop for these same three levels on shop at Agawam High School, and other staff will discuss physical education in the school's cafeteria.

All teachers are encouraged to bring items to share at the seminars. "Simply Sharing" includes: a beneficial and commercially produced item; a teacher-made or -generated idea; professional development ideas; common problems for discussion; needs to be addressed; and resources in the community and surrounding areas.

A.E.A. President Gail Dion also stressed that teachers should bring "methods used that may help others," and "anything else that may be pertinent and pressing on your mind."

She added, "Be productive!" The in-service program begins at 1:15 p.m. on Friday afternoon, and offers something for each faculty member at the Agawam Public Schools to enhance their teaching process and encourage excitement about learning in the classroom.

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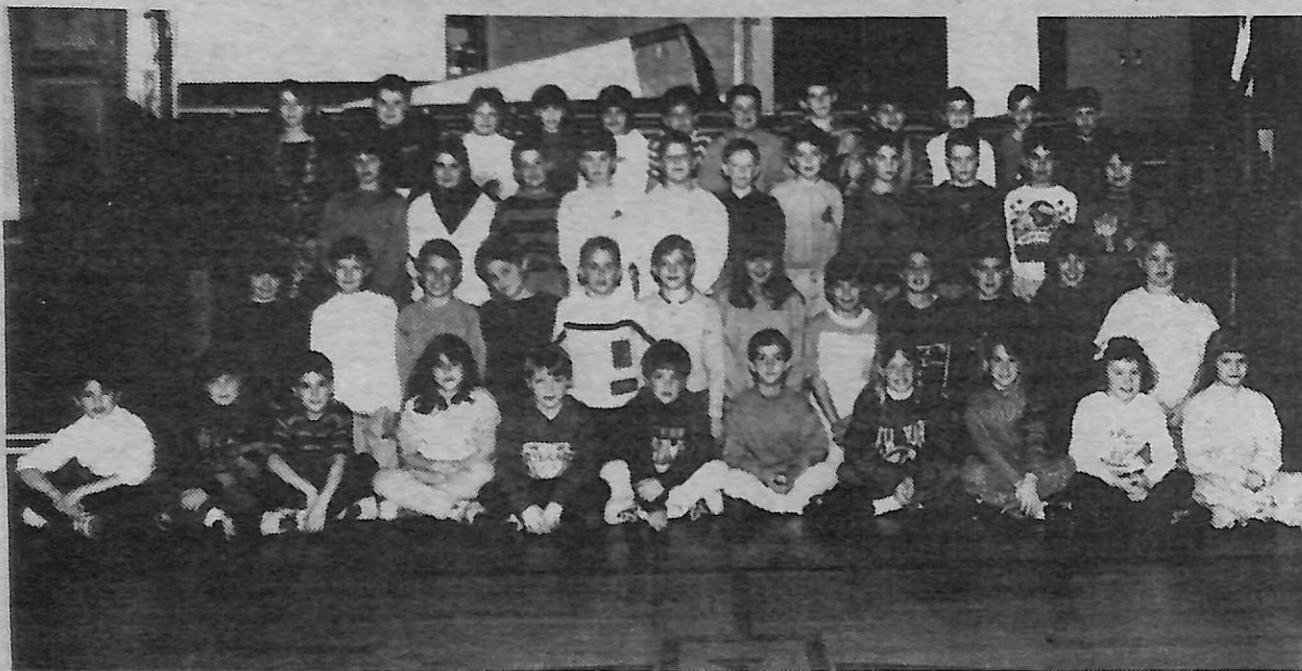
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## Granger Kids In "World's Largest Concert"



**GRANGER SCHOOL FOURTH GRADERS** in Rooms 3 & 11 participated in "The World's Largest Concert" that was televised on March 5th on Channel 57 (PBS). Music teacher Sylvia Starkie and the students were participating with children all across the country. The kids practiced special songs which were performed on this special day. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



## Wendy Ziemba Justice At Northeastern U.

Wendy Ziemba, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. A. Steven Ziemba of 47 Rosie Lane, Agawam, has been named a Justice to the Northeastern University Student Court.

Northeastern's Student Court is comprised of student justices and university administrators who review cases of serious student misconduct. Student Justices may hand down correction in the form of suspension and expulsion.

In order to be eligible to serve on the University Court a student must be an upperclassman who is not on any form of probation, and be an active member of student organizations in the Northeastern University community.

The opportunity to serve on the University Court is the perfect complement to Ziemba's major of Political Science, with a concentration in Law and Legal Studies.

Northeastern University is a private, co-ed institution, founded in 1898, which offers more than 70 academic programs in 10 undergraduate colleges and schools.

Northeastern is widely known for excellence in its Cooperative ("Co-op") Education Program, where students alternate six months of classroom study with six months of work in their respective job field.

Wendy is a Middler (third year) Honor's Program student who chose to spend five years attaining her undergraduate degree, as required by Northeastern to participate in the "Co-op" Program, and gain practical work experience in her appropriate job field.

On Wendy's latest "Co-op" experience she was employed by the United States Department of Labor, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Boston District Office. She functioned as an Equal Opportunity Assistant (EOA), and upon the end of her tour of duty, she was given a rating of "outstanding" by her supervisor.

Previously, Wendy was employed by the law firm of Berlin, Clarey, Deptula and Levee in Boston, where she also received an "outstanding" rating by the firm administrator.

## Agawam Schools' Weekly Lunch Menu

**Monday, March 23rd:** Pepperoni pizza, seasoned green beans, sliced apples with cinnamon, milk.

**Tuesday, March 24th:** Rib B. Q. sandwich in roll, diced carrots, steamed rice, pineapple tidbits, pudding with topping, milk.

**Wednesday, March 25th:** Steamed frank in roll, over baked beans, oven French fries with catsup, fruit cup, chocolate brownie, milk.

**Thursday, March 26th:** Scrambled hamburger with gravy on whipped potatoes, peas & carrots, wheat bread & butter, strawberry jello with topping, milk.

**Friday, March 27th:** Tuna sailboat, oven French fries with catsup, seasoned mixed vegetables, white cake with chocolate icing, milk.

(NOTE: Please remember to purchase your tickets on Mondays for the week. Personal checks are accepted, payable to the Agawam School Lunch.)

## Karen E. Burrows Named To "Who's Who"

Karen E. Burrows of 15 Cypress Terrace, Agawam, has been named to the 1992 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

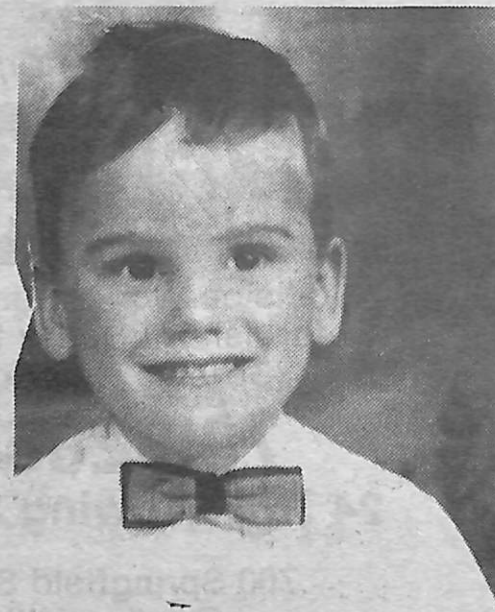
Burrows is a senior English/writing major at the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth.

The editor-in-chief of the 1992 university yearbook, *Scrimshaw*, she is a member of the student activities board and an honor student. Past activities include membership in the orientation program, the residence hall congress and BACCHUS, a student alcohol consciousness organization.

A graduate of Agawam High School, she is the daughter of Mona and Edward Burrows.

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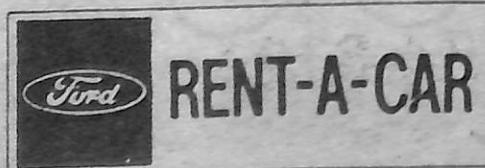
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## Ann Favreau Named By Science Museum

The Springfield Science Museum has named Ann Favreau, a kindergarten teacher at Granger Elementary School in Feeding Hills, to the 1992 Honor Roll of Teachers, a national program organized by the Association of Science-Technology Centers in Washington, D.C., to recognize teachers who have demonstrated excellence in science education.

Favreau, along with other Honor Roll teachers from across the country, will be honored at the Association of Science-Technology Centers' congressional breakfast on Capitol Hill in Washington on April 28th. The breakfast is sponsored by Representative George E. Brown, Jr., Chairman of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee.

In 1990, Favreau participated in the Museum Institute for Teaching Science summer program at the Springfield Science Museum.

The program, funded by the National Science Foundation, helped teachers develop new methods of integrating science into the classroom curriculum. As a result, Favreau im-

plemented a Commonwealth In-Service Grant to train 25 elementary teachers in her school.

She also attended a Principals for Advancement of Leadership in Science conference, and was part of the team that presented an in-service workshop. She has written an article about the process in an article titled "Recipe for Revitalization," which will be published in *Teaching Voices*.

Favreau is also a resource for science education for other teachers in her school, sharing ideas, books and materials. For the past year, she has chaired a volunteer science support team to train teachers in hands-on science activities, disseminate information about teaching science, and encourage teacher participation at workshops and conferences.

She has attended in-service workshops in East Longmeadow and the Massachusetts Association of Science Teachers conference in Framingham. In addition, she has served on the Teacher Advisory Committee for the Springfield Science Museum.

She recently received a Mayor's Office of Community Affairs grant from the town of Agawam to train teachers to design science kits for classroom use, and she has addressed the PTO to discuss the role of parents in the school's science program.

Favreau integrates science into all areas of the curriculum. Some of her classroom activities include making "planet salad," filling bottles with insoluble liquids, studying the habits of crickets, designing magnetic games, and graphing the results of a rolling object experiment.

Robert Staron, director of the Springfield Science Museum, praised Favreau for her creative approach to science education:

"We need more teachers like Ann. It's particularly important, as science test scores continue to decline nationwide, that we reach children at an early age.

"Ann demystifies science and makes it part of the overall learning experience in the classroom."

## Coaches Clinic Slated For Volunteers April 3

The National Youth Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA) of Massachusetts has announced that it will be holding a Volunteer Coaches Certification Clinic for baseball and softball.

If you are a beginner coach, this nationally recognized certification clinic will provide excellent information to help you have a great coaching experience. If you are a veteran coach, this clinic will reinforce the great job you are doing and provide the opportunity to share your experience with others in a learning environment.

The clinic for first-year certification in baseball and softball will take place on April 2nd and 3rd at the Agawam Middle School gymnasium. Coaches must attend both sessions to become a certified member, and the sessions run from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. each evening.

For second-year certification in baseball, there will be just one session on April 3rd, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Agawam Middle School gymnasium.

For each coach who takes part in this clinic, there is a \$15 certification fee; however, this fee will be paid for by the D.A.R.E. program of Agawam.

If anyone has any questions, contact Lou Conte at 786-7729.

## More Awards For Agawam High Band



THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL BAND held its Annual Banquet earlier this month and awards were on display everywhere. Band officers pictured, from left - Jeff Bryant, manager; Christine Mineo, librarian; Ray Drewnowski, vice-president; and Jennifer LeBlanc, president. RELATED PHOTOS ON PAGE 34. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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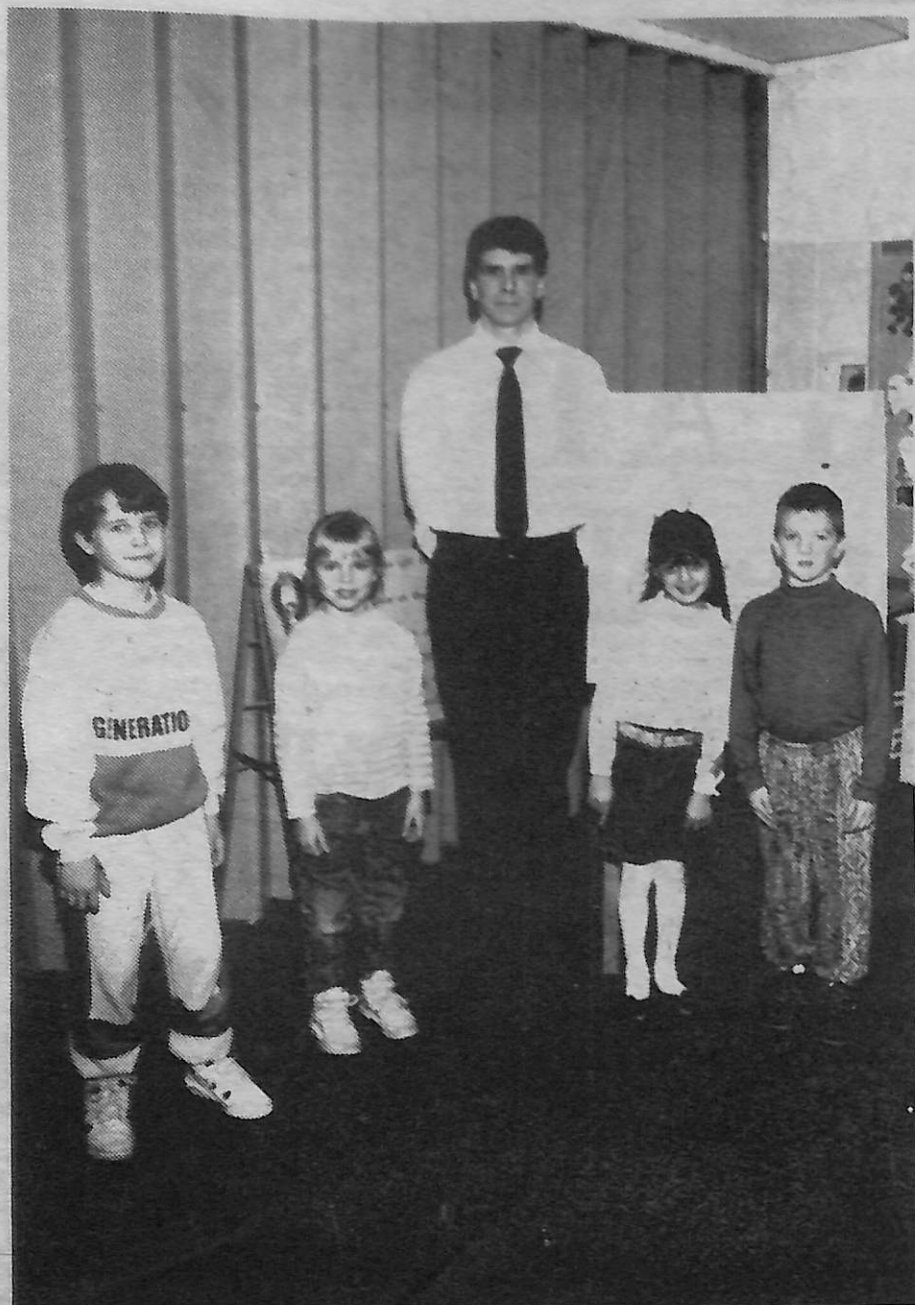
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G.T.E. ceramic engineer David Johnston gave a program to Granger School students on March 6th. His mother, Bernadette Johnston, is a second grade teacher at the school. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## G.T.E. Engineer Enlightens Granger School Students

by Iris Copson  
School Dept. Editor

David Johnston, ceramic engineer with the Lighting Division of G.T.E. in Danvers, Mass., visited the combined second grade classrooms of Bernadette Johnston (his mother) and Jane Zabielski on Friday, March 6th, at Granger School.

Mrs. Johnston said the visit was coordinated with the students' science unit on light. She said, "We just finished a unit on sound and had a big lab for the students with PTO volunteers. We conducted several experiments from a kit which we were able to purchase through a grant from the Mayor's Office of Community Affairs (MOCA).

"There were five or six things to do in the kit. We made paper whistles, connected plastic tubes with cones, filled containers with various things to make different sounds, and put a tuning fork next to a pendulum ball to actually see 'sound waves.' We had a good time," Mrs. Johnston told us.

### Explained A Story

To present the light unit, David Johnston from G.T.E. explained a story board which contained the components of an ordinary incandescent light bulb. He showed a video presentation which described the manufacturing process of both the components and the finished product.

Following the presentations, Johnston held a question and answer period to discuss the properties of light and the light bulb. The students will also hold another lab to try to make camera boxes and other various experiments will be conducted from kits on light.

Both Granger teachers have applied for a grant for next year to enable them to make their own kits for lights and sound.

Mrs. Johnston's son also told her about a program sponsored by the SAE Foundation called "A World In Motion," which calls on local engineers to volunteer their time to help stress the importance of math and science. Mrs. Johnston said, "It is a whole program with teaching guides, posters, videos, and experiments. It contains an entire curriculum."

She added, "I have passed along the information of Fred Montessi, a fourth grade teacher here at Granger, and to Ann Favreau, our science coordinator (and a kindergarten teacher at the school)."

### Begins With Local Engineers

Mrs. Favreau told us the program, "A World In Motion," begins with local engineers and is directed toward students in grades four, five, and six.

The key objectives of this program are to promote science literacy, to motivate interest in science and science education, and to generally promote the field of science in new and innovative ways that will lead to excellence in science.

During this program the students from "engineering design teams" will wrestle with some interesting science/engineering problems. The volunteer engineer will function as a "consulting design engineer" to promote science and math among students in a fun environment.

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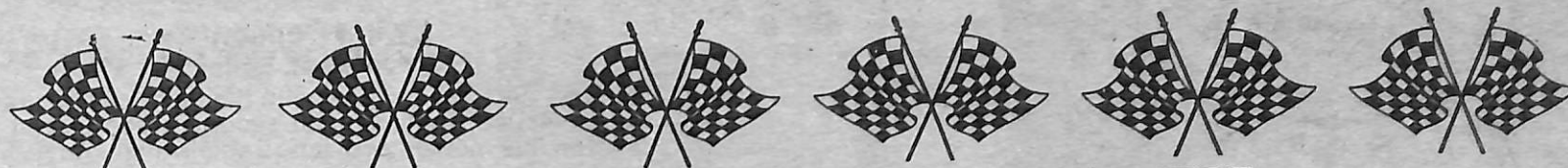
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# Sports



## RACING AT Riverside Speedway

### Marquis Looking To Retain Crown As Riverside Speedway Opens '92

After four years of knocking on the door for a Riverside Modified Tour title, last year Jerry Marquis finally found the key and the door opened as he was the long-awaited champion. Still, it didn't stop there as he went on to win the prestigious Winston Northeast Regional title.

The team of Jerry Marquis and veteran car owner, "The Master" Bob Judkins, now look to repeat their success with the famed red 2X at Riverside Park Speedway.

The season opener is set for March 21st with "The Big Chill," a five-division special featuring the Modified Tour, Pro 4, Pro Stocks, Late Models, and Strictly Stocks at 6:00 p.m., with racing every Saturday until Labor Day.

A look back at 1991 at Riverside shows how the season went in the Modifieds as we prepare for the 1992 season.

Reggie Ruggiero, in his first season with car owner Bill Pelley, took the first win of the year in the Eagle Snacks 100. It sure wouldn't be his last,

though, as the Reg went on to post a total of seven feature event wins before the final checkered flag fell over the season.

It was the most number of wins in a single season that a Modified driver had ever recorded in the Park's history, but not enough to win Reggie a fourth track championship.

Ruggiero held the lead in the Modified division by virtue of three wins in the first four races—until early June when Marquis squeezed ahead. Dan Avery, who had also picked up his first win in the Porter and Chester Modified, was sixth in the point standings then.

By the end of June, he was in third ... and a month later, it became a two-way battle for the title between Dan and Jerry, two very close friends both on and off the track.

In 1991, we also saw the '89 Modified Champion Bruce D'Alessandro—now steering Billy Simons' car—visit victory lane for the first time since 1988. The ever-popular Charlie Pasteryak, likewise, took home his first win in the past two years at River-

side, and later added a second.

Rick Fuller, in his first year behind the wheel of Mario Fiore's number 44, visited the winner's circle twice, but like Ruggiero, Modified Tour obligations kept him from contention for the track title.

Although winless on the season at "the Park," Ed Kennedy put together a pile of top five finishes which rewarded him with a third-place finish in the final point standings.

However, the season was not such a bright one for three-time track champion Stan Gregor, as the Oak and Keg team struggled all season with a new car that they just couldn't seem to get dialed-in. Following two top fives in the first three events, Stan was only able to post one top 10 in the next six races before he finally claimed his only win in 1991.

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## Fuller Joins Fiore Riverside Racing Team; Will Debut When Season Opens March 21st

Remember when it was one of the most talked about off-season stories of the 1991 off-season. Riverside's most noted car owner, Mario Fiore—winner of several golden wrench awards—dissolved a long-term agreement with Reggie Ruggiero.

Fiore replaced Ruggiero with another NASCAR Modified Tour superstar ... Rick Fuller of Auburn, MA. Fuller has previously driven for the Chase family with tremendous success. His biggest claim to fame was winning the biggest Modified pay-day, the Richmond Modified Tour event. That was then, and Fuller proved his talent in 1991.

Mario Fiore, who owns the 44 Race Team (which is now heavily associated with sponsor John Betts of McBetts Racing Engines from Long Island, New York), has already shown that the new team is a real winner.

The first actual race that Rick Fuller competed in was the World Series in Florida, and Rick won the very first time out. He also followed it up with two other victories—three wins total in the 1992 World Series in Florida.

As for the team itself, it also is made up of the old veterans and new members. Noted 1990 crew chief Mark Lyon has left to pursue a career in the South and is missed by team owner Mario. Paul Clapperoo, noted fabricator and race

mechanic, is now in charge. Eric, Jeff, and the rest of the regular crew is also back.

The car itself is hot pink and yellow with exotic trim and a lettering job designed by John Catania. With two cars in the stable, the operation will be real tough.

Besides McBetts, the team will receive the help and support of New England Uniform, but still searches for the major national sponsorship that it honestly deserves. As always, the team will have the support of several manufacturers in a product support program.

Look for the 44 Race Team with Rick Fuller to be in the winner's circle several times at Riverside Park Speedway. Riverside opens its 1992 season with NASCAR Tour type Modifieds on Saturday, March 21st, with the five-division "Budweiser Big Chill." Top drivers in the Modifieds are expected to include Jerry Marquis, Barry Moore, George Rudinas, Dan Avery, and much more.

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## AHS Girls Place 9th In States To End Great Season

The Massachusetts High School Swim Championships this season might have been called "How The West Was Won" on the girls' side of the ledger.

Western Mass. was well-represented at the State Meet, held March 6th and 7th at Holy Cross College, Worcester. Three of the top five teams hailed from Western Mass., including the overall champ, Minnechaug Regional of Wilbraham.

The Brownies of Agawam High grabbed ninth place overall in a fine performance, the school's best ever. This capped a solid season under Coach Jason Osborne. Osborne said 37 teams from around the Commonwealth participated in the tournament.

### Three AHS Swimmers Earn Honors

Three AHS Swimmers earned berths on the Coaches All-Star Team, including Erica Vanderhoof (100 freestyle), Rachel White (diving, she was the Western Mass. champ), and Heather Pliska (100 breaststroke). Lexa Page was named on the Honorable Mention list.

White grabbed third place in the diving championships after earning top honors at the Western Mass. tourney a week earlier. White scored 345.55 points and landed just .75 out of second place.

Vanderhoof raced to fifth place in the 100 yard freestyle in 57.40. She also placed eighth in the state in the 50 yard freestyle in 26.43.

Pliska just missed the scoring column as she placed 13th in the 200 yard individual medley in 2:27.27. Page grabbed 13th as well with 1:07.11 in the 100 yard butterfly, breaking Vanderhoof's school record in that event. Osborne told us that Jessie Crowley swam the 100 butterfly in a fine effort (1:09.25).

The medley relay team raced to a fifth place finish in 2:03.13. The quartet was comprised of Pliska, Page, Crowley, and Vanderhoof.

The 200 yard relay team of Sandy Angotti, Page, Amy Hume, and Vanderhoof broke the AHS record by swimming a 1:52.37, good for eighth place overall at the State Meet.

Both White and Vanderhoof were selected to the All Western Mass. First Team.

### West Finishes Out West

In boys' swimming, Western Mass. didn't fare nearly as well as the girls. Longmeadow High, an area powerhouse, finished first for all of the Western Mass. teams but still only managed an 11th place overall in the state.

AHS Coach Dave Smith, a veteran of the swimming wars for many years, told us, "The tide will turn. The West will have its day. There are just so many powerful swimmers in the East right now."

Aaron Orsucci was the only Brownie to bring home any points. He placed 10th in the 100 butterfly in a time of 57.50. He finished 13th in the individual medley in 2:08.85, just one second off the AHS record.

Tim Church dove for the Brownies and scored 102 points during his five dives. Gary Jock, Steve Lewis, and Alan Niemiec swam the 200 freestyle and 400 freestyle relays (with Orsucci). The relay teams finished well back in the pack.

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## Winter Sports Wrap-Up...

## A Great Winter For AHS Sports!

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

There are a lot of kids walking around in Agawam these days that are coming off a very successful Winter High School Sports campaign. The town was represented very well during this particular reporting period.

Champions were crowned; seasons were extended; and interest from the community at large was very high. I'll be the first to tell you that I detest the winter and the weather it brings—but, sports (as always) saved the day.

The problem this winter is that Agawam High coaches are having a bit of a difficult time swallowing the end results of their respective seasons.

The first guy that comes to mind, of course, is Phil Tomkiel. The wrestlers had a tremendous year as they picked up the Western Mass trophy for the sixth straight time.

But, for the third straight season, disappointment haunted all their dreams. An alarmingly questionable referee's decision took the rug right out from under Agawam's victory celebration at the State Finals in Lowell a few weekends ago. The Brownies settled for their third consecutive second-place finish in the big dance.

Then, just about when the reality of that decision was sinking in, Nick Lagone had an individual New England crown snatched from his head by another zebra in Glastonbury. Two penalty points whistled on Nicky in the New England Finals match were about enough to send Tomkiel into orbit.

It was downright maddening to watch that team get "jobbed" the way they did two weekends in a row.

## Taking The Good With The Bad

As mentioned previously, it wasn't the worst of seasons by any stretch of the imagination. Twelve of the 13 varsity performers were able to qualify and compete in the State Tourney. That was easily the largest contingent in the State. Newly crowned state champion Central sent 10 kids to the tournament.

Langone, Mike DaSilva, and Mike Cooper picked up individual Western Mass titles, and Shawn Rising, George Ghareeb, Stu McGregor, and Dave McKay all placed second in the sectionals.

The Brownies won that Western Mass hardware by pummeling the competition to the tune of a 60-point victory over Central! That feat was more than amazing when you take into consideration the fact that the Golden Eagles had halted the 49 dual meet winning streak of Agawam just 10 days earlier.

The next guy that will have trouble swallowing the results of another cruel winter is coach Mike Martin of the boys' basketball team. This big guy was all set for a banner season when a variety of elements intervened and halted his parade before the 76 trombones could get into tune.

Banking on a talented and hardworking front line, Martin couldn't wait for the basketball season to get started. He had early concerns about holes in the backcourt, but he figured that his squad would work things out.

They burst from the starting blocks with three straight wins and then were well on their way to

beating Chicopee at the Kibbe gym when the walls came tumbling down.

A big early lead started to dissipate, but the noose didn't tighten until a stunned crowd watched 6'7" Dan Dragon of the Pacers throw in a miracle three-pointer with no time showing on the clock. The Pacer center grabbed a missed free throw and made an end to end dash to sink the tying shot at the buzzer.

Martin's kids didn't have a chance in overtime as they dropped the game by double digits. Still, with Martin at the helm, you had to figure that they would regroup with the always tough independent schedule on the immediate horizon.

## Injuries And Illness Galore

That's when the injury bugaboo hit. Mononucleosis, the flu, knees, feet, and ankles were the main culprits as this team hit the skids with a seven-game losing streak. "If we're losing because we are sick and injured, then I'm not disappointed," Martin would say. "But, if we're losing these big leads because we are out of shape, then I am very disappointed."

They never really clicked on all cylinders again. They had a near miss against ultimate Western Mass runner-up Amherst when a stickback at the final buzzer allowed the Hurricanes to get out of town with a one-point win.

They decimated Chicopee Comp and Minnechaug at Agawam with two blistering back-to-back efforts that had people sitting up and thinking that it was time to go on a roll. An outstanding road win at Longmeadow which showed character and determination seemed to punctuate the suddenly rising morale and maturity of the ballclub.

They would gain a third of the Valley Wheel title and begin to believe that they had a chance to be Central's "opponent" in the Finals. The seedings came out and they were spared from Central's bracket in the tournament because they LOST a coin flip. Things were finally going their way.

They slapped their friends from Ludlow around pretty good in the tourney opener, but they experienced one of their worst performances in years in a season-ending loss to Commerce. It was rather inexplicable, but Martin can only scratch his head and hope that this talented group of players might make the big run next season.

Lou Conte got just about every drop of energy and hustle out of his young team and he brought them all the way to the Finals of Western Mass. They were very good, but they weren't very deep and that finally cost this unit a shot at the State Title when they were ousted by Northampton at the Civic Center.

Agawam beat every team that they played against this season in girls' basketball. They beat the eventual champion Northampton by 16 points on the road this year.

## Girls' Basketball Had A Goal

They were not the fastest group of kids that ever took to the floor, but they had some height, some scorers, lots of enthusiasm, a fine coach, and a goal. They came perilously close to achieving what they sought.

Northampton was able to go eight or nine kids deep on their roster. Agawam could only manage to use a six-person rotation. In the end, they got worn down on the glass (and with foul trouble), and it was time to pack it in for the season.

Like Martin's team, Conte will have the bulk of his personnel back for another run next winter. It ought to be very interesting.

The hockey season shifted venues this year as the Olympia became home for the Western Mass schoolboy pucksters. The Brownies were able to compete quite nicely as they picked up a couple of excellent victories in a much better than usual independent campaign.

Then, when the curtain rose on the Berry Division play, they came out smoking and gave every team a run for their money. Coach Mike LaZazzera also had to deal with the injury bug, especially when his fine young goaltender, Mike Montessi, had to miss much of the season with an illness that took him a while to conquer.

At times, the Brownies were high flyers peppering pucks from everywhere; and, at other times, they were a rugged bunch that slowed down the other squads. They seemed to keep themselves in every contest and their fans seem to be growing in number.

They didn't pick up any hardware for winning a division or a championship, but they certainly did themselves proud en route to their most effective season to date under LaZazzera.

## Osborne Possibly The Happiest Coach

Jason Osborne might be the happiest of the coaches following the 91-92 season. The girls' swim team finished ninth in the state and had their best year in a long time.

Rachael White won the Western Massachusetts diving championship and went on to place third in the state. Other Agawam swimmers had great seasons, too, and it seemed as if new records were shattered each impending week.

My wife, Terry, handled the writing of the swimming articles this season, and she often told me how proud Osborne was of his team. They had a fine campaign and they are also a very young team.

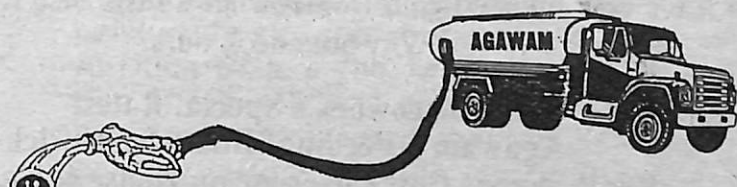
Coach Dave Smith of the Agawam High boys' swim team got some high level and high intensity performances from his team as well. His team did fine in Western Massachusetts and then got swallowed up (along with the rest of the West) in the States, but the boys broke several records along the way, too.

The ski teams were in the capable hands of Glenn Olson and Dave Graveline, and they had a lot of fun up at Berkshire East. Most of the performers will be back on the slopes again next season, and the two coaches feel as if Agawam is ready to burst from the middle of the pack and become a factor in the not too distant future.

This winter, Agawam's highlight reel would be action-packed and ready for prime time. Lots of great performances were turned in and there will be many more to follow.

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## Sports A La Carte...

# NCAA Tourney: Green Bay Out

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

DICK BENNETT was one of the unhappiest guys in the land on Sunday evening, and you have to figure that his Wisconsin-Green Bay basketball players had to share that disappointment.

The Phoenix went 25-4 this season (including road wins at Purdue and Colorado) and they weren't invited to the NCAA tournament! There is something wrong in Denmark when you notice that Mississippi Valley State gets to play in March Madness, sporting a record of just 16-13.

I suppose that there are always going to be flaws in the system, but this one is glaring, wouldn't you say? I'll tell you this—I'm rooting for the Phoenix to win the NIT...

Still talking about the tournament for a minute, how about the Minutemen of UMASS? They'll play out of the three hole in the East and probably will get a second-round chance at the Orangemen of Syracuse in the Centrum just up the street.

I predict that because neither team can shoot free throws, that this is the longest game of the tourney timewise. Surviving that, UMASS could get another shot at either Kentucky or Iowa State.

JOHN CALIPARI'S club drubbed Iowa State at the Civic Center in Springfield, and got pounded by the Wildcats in Blue Grass country...

Did you see the story about sensational young baseball star KEN GRIFFEY, JR. taking 277 aspirin at one sitting when he was 17 years-old? It just proves once again that money can't buy happiness...

Imagine DWIGHT EVANS being a back-up to somebody named CHITO MARTINEZ. That's what happened at the tail end of the season a year ago in Baltimore, and it also led to Dewey's release by the O's earlier this week...

Did anybody see the Honda Golf Classic? I only read about it, but it must have been something.

COREY PAVIN was trailing FREDDIE COUPLES by a stroke coming to the 18th hole. Pavin holed an eight iron on the fly from 136 yards out for an eagle, which gave him a one-stroke lead.

Before you could digest that one, Couples responded by dropping his nine iron within three inches of the cup for a tying birdie. My heavens...

LARRY must have been very Larry on Sunday, eh? I read in the *Fargo Forum* that he scored a mere 49 points in a double OT win over Portland, and got himself about a four-minute breather in the 58-minute contest.

Sounds like he is back in shape to me...

BRYAN DOWNING, now of the Texas Rangers, continues to amaze me. He seems to be in better shape every year. The 40 year-old with arms like Popeye has already cracked three homers in Spring Training...

Whaddya mean the Yankees can be had for \$300 million? Figures are staggering, huh?...

I guess JOHN THOMPSON of Georgetown broke down pretty hard when he learned that former Hoya (and Celtic) CHARLES SMITH was convicted and imprisoned for the vehicular homicide of two Boston University students...

I once told this at a banquet, and it went over rather well.

YOGI BERRA had his first five-hit game of his career and couldn't wait until the newspaper came out the following morning so he could see it in print. He ran to the hotel lobby before the sun came up and was miffed when the box score indicated that he was only 4 for 5.

When the sportswriter came down for breakfast, Yogi let him have it. The sportswriter smiled and said apologetically, "Yogi, I'm sorry, but that was a typographical error." Yogi shot back, "The hell it was, that was a clean single."...

## AHS SPORTS - from Page 40...

For the heartaches that happened to the players, coaches, and fans, there are certainly many reasons to look ahead to next season. And Phil Tomkiel, Mike Martin, Lou Conte, and company are doing exactly that right this minute.

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## AHS Football Team Enjoy Dinner At EB's



FOLLOWING A CANDY BLITZ to raise funds for the upcoming fall season, members of the Agawam High football team enjoyed a delicious ziti and meatball dinner at EB's Specialty Chicken Restaurant on Walnut Street Extension. The candy was provided by Home Town Fundraisers, owned and operated by Boo (Gerry) Smith. Pictured in photo are, back row from left - Ed Borgatti, Jr. of EB's, Boo Smith, and Coach Dean Vecchiarelli. Seated are team members John Hogan, Brian Pellegrino, and Marcus Trinchini. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

St. Louis (17 wins) used last place Holy Cross (3½ wins) as its springboard to first place in the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League in Round Three's sixth week.

Boston College, last week's leader, checked in with 16½ wins, good for second place, while St. Anselm sits in third with 15 wins.

In the big four game sweep over HC, St. Lou was led by JEAN BUONICONTI (268, Women's Class AA leader at 93.62), JAY LAGODITZ (256), and captain JIM HOAGUE (335). This was a huge night for Jim, who leads the Men's Class AA with a 102.16 average. Jim crushed HC captain LARRY VIENS (271). VI MASSOIA starred for HC with a 276.

Boston College took three wins from Fordham (8th place-7½ wins). BC winners were TINA FRAPPIER (259), BILL "Don't Call Me Bob" HOPE (275), MARIE SARACINO (273), and captain SHIRLEY SARACINO, who is back from her prolonged Florida vacation (312). She defeated Fordham captain OLLIE MULDER (290). Shirley checks in at 101.16, good for second place in the Women's Open Class.

St. Anselm moved into third place at the expense of sagging Catholic University (7th place-11 wins) in a clean sweep, four wins to none.

St. A's winners were DON STITT (273), TERRY CERPOVICZ (266-260 over CAROLINE COELLN), and captain TIM SHEEHAN, the league's top roller at 108.34 (313). He soundly thrashed former league strongman JOHN "The Hammer" O'CONNELL (273), who is still shaking off the rust after

being away from the lanes for so long. JIM SNYDER, the second roller in Men's Class AAA at 102.0, won his match with a 306. But it was not nearly enough to offset the huge St. A's advantage.

Fourth place St. Mary's (14½ wins) and ninth place Notre Dame (6½ wins) hooked up in week six and St. Mary's came out on top. St. Mary's winner was second roller CHRIS BUKOWSKI (301, won by 44 pins; Chris is at 88.65 in Men's Class B). Winners for ND included MAYBETH "Miss Consistent" COUGHLIN (274-271 over AUDREY PHILLIPS), FRANK CERPOVICZ (276), and captain STEVE MOCCIO (342). This big night for Steve moved his average to 106.49, although he still trails his pal, Tim Sheehan, in the race for the top gun in the league.

Steve overpowered St. Mary's captain, JIM "Mac" MCNAMEE (299).

In the final match of the night, fifth place St. Michael (14½ wins) continued the slide of Georgetown (6th place-14 wins), three wins to one.

St. Mike's winners were leadoff STELLA BARBIERI (261), RENEE JURY (296; she is second in Women's Class AA at 93.44), and captain DEBBIE POIRIER (332). She really laid the wood to veteran St. Mike's captain FRED MORASSI, the Men's Class A leader at 98.47 (288). Debbie is back in a real competitive mood again now that Shirley Saracino is back in town. The only G-Town winner was "Steady" EDDIE GALLERANI, who was cool and calm after coming back from his trip to Florida (271).

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Bob Johnson On Sports...

## Even Lousy, Early Spring Weather Can't Delay Coming Of Those Sox!

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

A couple of weeks ago I flopped on the couch in my family room and grabbed my television remote control. My wife and kids were napping and I began scanning through the channels.

To my utter delight, I found a spring training game on TV-38 between the Red Sox and Tigers. Rogers Clemens was on the mound. He had a 1-2 count on the batter and he struck the guy out with a blazing fastball on the next pitch.

The end of inning graphic came on screen and the announcer said that Clemens was through for the afternoon. The score was 4-4 and they were going to the bottom of the third or fourth inning at Winter Haven.

### Went Into Baseball Mode

Immediately, I went into my baseball mode. Geez, the Rocket must have gotten rocked. Guys with 2.30 ERA's very rarely give up four runs in three or four innings - and I really don't believe there were any errors under the Red Sox ledger on the preceding graphic.

After the commercial, play-by-play man Sean McDonough mentioned that Roger had given up a grand slam to Rob Deer in the first inning. I had my answer. Certainly, it didn't alarm me because I figured that Roger would whiff Deer nine times out of 10 during the regular season. This was only spring training.

The first two batters for the Sox were Mike Greenwell and Phil Plantier. McDonough informed me that Plantier had walloped one over the wall in rightfield during his first at-bat. Hey, maybe this kid is going to be all right. I was hoping that he wouldn't be a one year wonder.

Ten or 15 minutes later, I was sound asleep myself. I don't think I even saw the Sox finish their turn at the plate that inning. When I awoke an hour later, I was mystified.

I wondered why I had waited through the long winter for the Red Sox and then fell asleep in less than one inning? Was I exhausted? Was I bored? Or was it just not time for baseball yet?

There is such balance in nature. Our internal clocks probably just dictate when and where we should enjoy our sports. Perhaps, it is some sort of subliminal message from the advertising world. Baseball can wait until the college basketball season is over.

### Going Head To Head

In just a few weeks, the Sox will be in this vicinity and they will be playing games that will make the standings change from day to day. They will

go head to head with the NCAA Tournament as well as the Celtics and Bruins in the playoffs. The Sox will begin to carve out a large territory for themselves (nonetheless).

They will invade our hearts and our minds (like they always do) and they will dominate the conversations throughout New England. Some players will enjoy the same consistent performances that we have come to expect and enjoy. Some will disappoint us; and maybe some young kid or free agent acquisition will capture our attention through his fine play.

Tim Lincecum may match Cal Ripken, Jr., stride for stride for a stretch of early going. Maybe Herm Winningham will be a spectacular, game-saving catch and follow that up with a four-hit game with a pair of stolen bases.

Wade Boggs may come out with a power surge that has us thinking about Yaz in 1967. Kevin Morton might be the early ace of the staff as he wins his first five games. The same could be said for Mike Gardiner, Danny Darwin, or Matt Young.

At the same time, Jody Reed and Mike Greenwell could stagger like those Floridians seemingly always do (in the cool spring of New England). Clemens might be wild early and wobble to a 3-3 start on the mound. Joe Hesketh probably will not be able to duplicate his amazing season of a year ago.

Butch Hobson will probably get ejected from a few games in April and the media will portray him as a fiery, rookie manager in the mold of Dick Williams of 1967. Don Zimmer will no doubt get a couple of guys nailed at the plate with poor decisions in the box at third. Talk of "The Gerbil" will surface early.

Or, Hobson could lose control of the team early and there could be some Boston media types that start screaming for his scalp. Can you imagine Zimmer as top dog of the team again? It certainly didn't seem possible when he made his tearful good-bye from Beantown in 1979 that we would ever see him in these parts again.

Bob Zupcic, John Marzano, John Cerutti. Are these names going to crop up on a regular basis? Will they, among others, play a pivotal role in a tight season-long battle with the Blue Jays?

I didn't care on that early March afternoon. But just like every other year, it will be one of the very few things on my mind by the middle of May.

Yes, my friends, the Red Sox are coming.

## Fitness First Helping Kids' Miracle Network

The 6th Annual Children's Miracle Network Racquetball Tournament and Aerobathon will be held March 27th to 29th at Fitness First Health & Racquet Club, 60 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

The tournament will feature matches in five divisions: A, B, C, and novice, with cash prizes awarded in the open division.

The entry fee is \$40 for the first event and \$20 for the second event. Every player will receive a tournament package which includes a t-shirt and other gifts (lunch and dinner on Saturday, 28th).

Anyone may participate in the first two hours of the Aerobathon (with a minimum of \$10 in pledges). The final hour (from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.) will be an exclusive "Sponsor A Step" segment that features the most popular new aerobic craze, "Step Aerobics." You may sponsor a step with a minimum of \$100 in pledges.

Several prizes will be awarded for the Aerobathon, including a one year's free membership (that will be awarded to the participant who obtains the most collected pledges). Aerobic outfit and sneakers will be awarded to a male and female participant in various categories.

All proceeds from the tournament and the Aerobathon will be donated to the Children's Miracle Network to support children's health care services at BayState Medical Center.

For more information, call the Children's Miracle Network at 784-4111 or Fitness First at 786-1460.

## Mawaga Sporting Club To Open 1992 Fishing Season

The 1992 fishing season is soon approaching and looks to be better than ever.

The Mawaga Sporting Club's annual Lunker Derby will start things off with a bang! The derby will be held on Sunday, March 29th, starting at 9:00 a.m. and will continue until 1:00 p.m.

Breakfast is included with the donation of \$15 per ticket, so come down for a good time of fishing.

Also, there will be two club member derbies—the first being on April 26th, and the second being on October 4th. Come and enjoy the fun and prizes.

Tickets are available at the club, or from Wayne Harrington, 789-2806; Pignatari's Auto Service, 786-0955; or Southgate Package Store, 786-2244.

## Agawam Players Sought For 12-14 Koufax League

Anyone interested in playing for the 12-14 Agawam baseball team that will play in the NEYSA Sandy Koufax League should contact one of the coaches: Al Domangue, 786-1685; Pete Chechile, 786-6274; or Jim Baldyga, 789-0607.

The season begins in June and will continue into August. Players cannot turn 15 before August 1st, 1992. Games will be played in Agawam and surrounding towns.

Any returning players from last year's team must also contact one of the coaches. There will be a registration fee of \$35 if you are selected for the team.

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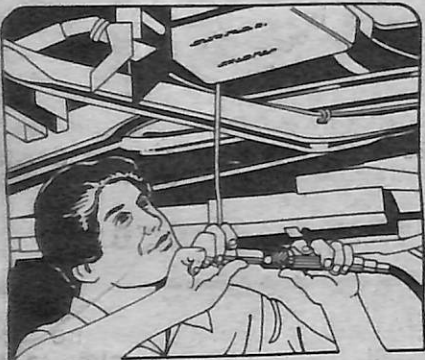
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Starting this week, the program will be offering classes on both Monday and Wednesday evenings.

Classes are held at the Mittineague School in West Springfield and are from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The cost of the program is \$50.

Pre-registration is required and may be done through the Recreation Department.

For further information, please call 781-7550.

## Ag. Youth Football Slates Public Mtg.

Agawam Youth Football is in jeopardy of closing, and the Agawam Youth Football Association needs Agawam's help to stay alive!

A public meeting will be held at the Agawam Public Library on March 30th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Please attend—we need the support!

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## While On Vacation In Fargo, North Dakota...

by Bob Johnson  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

I'm looking down at a different keyboard and staring into a different monitor this week. This time around, the spirit is moving me from a faraway and magical land called Fargo, North Dakota.

Fargo, North Dakota? Ah, yes, Fargo in the dead of winter.

As spring fast approaches in New England, Fargo prepares for another blast of arctic air to sweep across the plains. Even the bison that guards the city over by North Dakota State University bundles up as the frigid weather continues.

A week or so ago, a couple of people looked at me as if I had two heads when I told them of my impending trip to Fargo.

"Johnson, are you nuts? You've got a chance to get out of town for a few days, and you're taking off for Fargo and parts unknown???"

Yup, "parts unknown" is probably my favorite place on the globe. I love to explore.

**What's (Or Who's) In Fargo?**

"What in the heck is in Fargo?" was probably the most asked question. With two palms facing upwards, a little shrug, and a smirk on my face, I simply answered, "My sister lives there with her family."

Nancy is a great sister and I hadn't seen her in years. An unexpected free plane ticket came my way and the scheduling worked out perfectly, so I decided to make the journey.

Another of the appeals of the trip was the fact that Nancy has a six year-old son and an eight year-old daughter that I haven't seen since they were wee small children. Nancy has told me over and over that my nephew, Brandon, was an absolute clone of me.

Now, I wouldn't just go cross-country...I'd cross the world to meet somebody just like me. Wouldn't you?

Well, I'm in Fargo now and I'm happy to report that, in fact, I am not one of a kind. Brandon lived

up to his advance billing. This little guy is so full of vim and vinegar that I can't quite keep up with him just yet.

He knows more about the NFL than any five people that I have met in my life, and he wants to learn more. Everybody knows that little kids are just like sponges, as they can soak up as much information as you can possibly feed them.

Brandon has already emptied a few lakes full of information and he wants to work on a small ocean. He can operate a computer about as well as Mr. Digital, and he has already dusted me in Mike Ditka Football (he only stroked me to the tune of a 28-0 whipping).

**A Future Wrestling Star?**

The next thing that we did turned to the physical aspect of his development. We were on the living room floor and he was learning various and sundry wrestling moves.

Phil Tomkiel, I have another prospect for you. He couldn't wait for his father to come home so he could show him the Peterson Roll.

My son, Bradley, has gotten more than his share of ink in these pages over the three years of his life. He is a great kid. I live for the day when he and I can play long toss in the back yard...but, Brandon can do it now.

I'm having a ball in Fargo. I've already gone to the High School State Championship basketball game, and I've had my hopes set on catching a college game somewhere along the line.

I've taken Brandon with me so he can begin to see some of the "big boys" (high school kids are big boys when compared to a six year-old's world).

What's more, I went to eight year-old Stephanie's concert, as the third graders put on a little recital for the parents and teachers. It was actually a lot of fun.

People are very nice in this part of the world. Yes, Fargo is not a bad place at all.

Wish you were here. See you next week.

## DalMolin Friends Slate Hockey Night

Friends of Thomas DalMolin will be holding a Springfield Indian Hockey Benefit on April 4th at the Springfield Civic Center.

There will be two exciting games starting at 5:15 p.m. with Teddy Bear Pools vs. Teddy Bear Pools Alumni, and at 7:15 p.m. The Springfield Indians vs. The Utica Devils.

A portion of the proceeds will go to the family of Thomas DalMolin. Tom, who recently died of cancer, leaving a wife and two small children, was a 1975 graduate of Agawam High School. He was actively involved in hockey in high school, as a junior varsity coach, and later for Teddy Bear Pools.

Tickets are available for \$8 at Pajer's Market, Agawam; Gino's Package Store, Agawam; Sports Stuff, Sumner Avenue, Springfield; Teddy Bear Pools, East Street, Chicopee; Center Cleaners, Center Street, Chicopee; West Side Sport Shop, Westfield Street, West Springfield; or by calling Kip Regnier, 786-9773, or Mary Lou Vigue, 786-1959.

## Oak Ridge Golf Club Opens For Season

General Manager Paul Strycharz announces that the Oak Ridge Golf Club opened for play as of Friday, March 6th.

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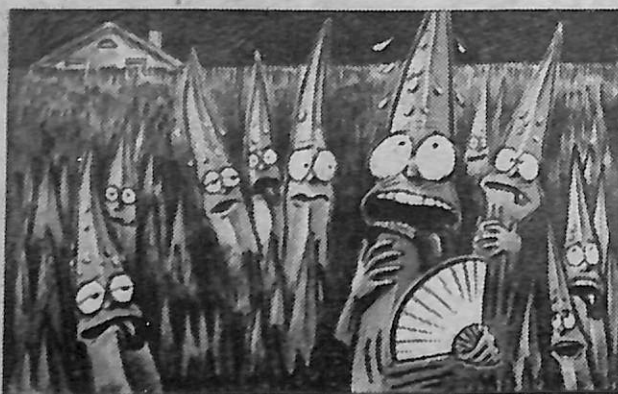
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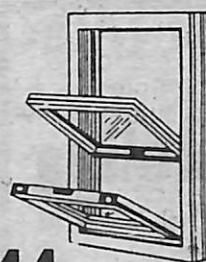


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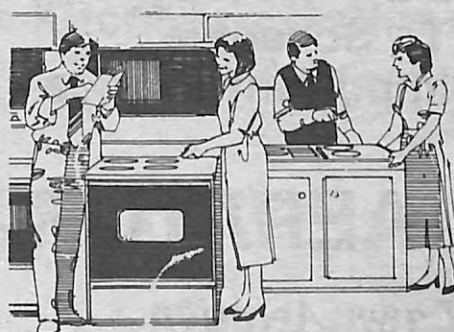
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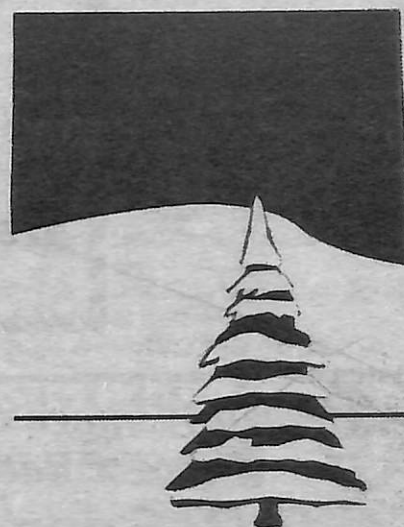
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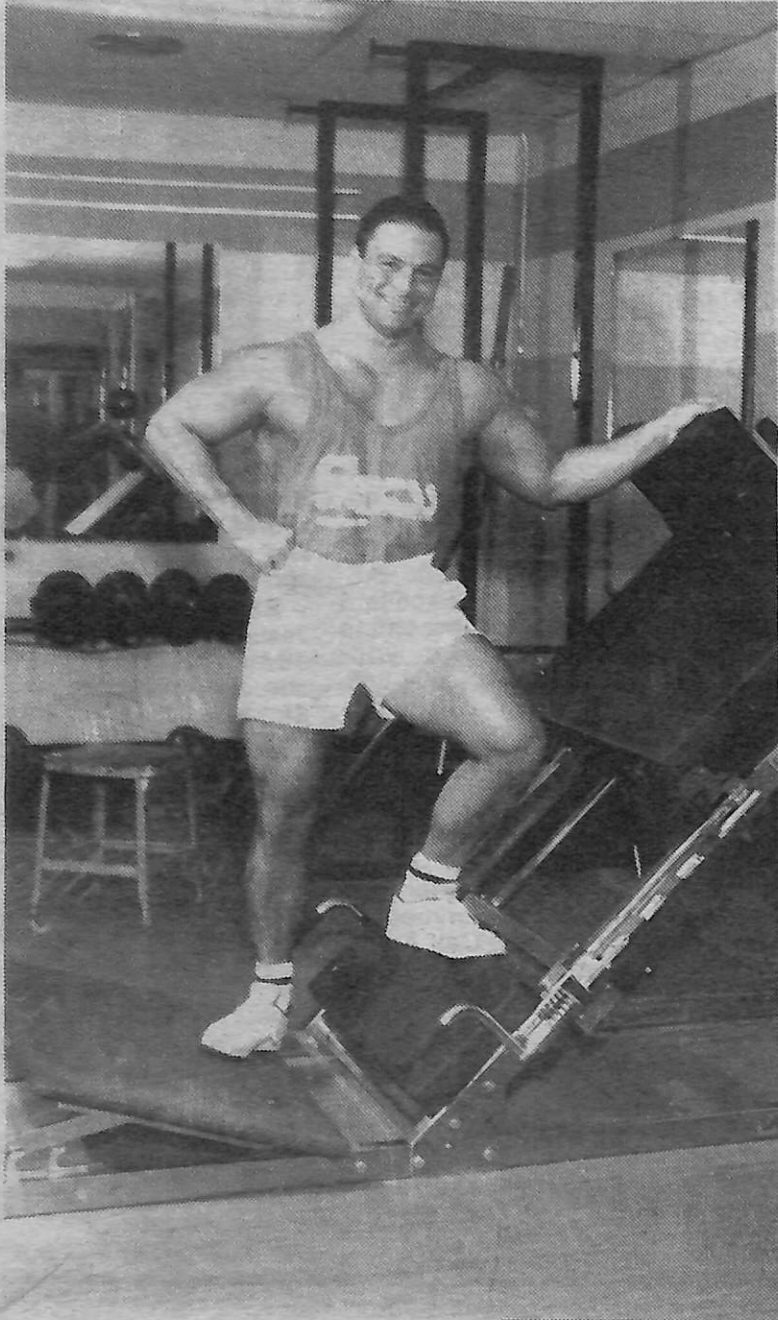
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